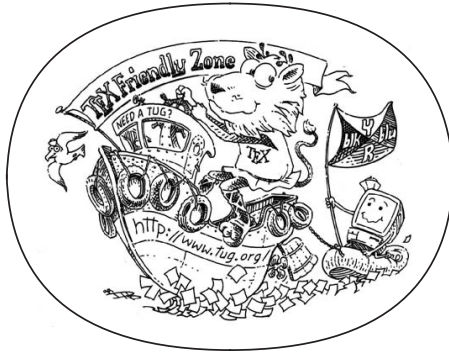


THE JUSMAN FAMILY PASSOVER LITURGY

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...And when I see the blood, I will pass over you...

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*Let not the foreigner who has joined himself to the
LORD say, "The LORD will surely separate me from his
people"...*

*...And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,
and to be his servants,
everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it,
and holds fast my covenant—
these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.*

ISAIAH 56:3, 6-7



INTRODUCTION

Why?

Why we Chinese/Indonesian people be doing these weird Jewish people things?

A couple of reasons:

1. Because the Passover traditions are beautiful and they point to our savior Jesus ("Yeshua").

Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! (John 1:29)

2. Because Yeshua himself celebrated Passover and went through the liturgy.

They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. (Romans 9:4)

3. Because what we call "communion" at church is actually a couple elements from the Passover liturgy.

For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." (1 Corinthians 11:23-25)

4. Because the Exodus was experienced by non-Jewish people also.

A mixed multitude also went up with them... (Exodus 12:38)

5. Because it is weird even to the Jewish people.

And when you come to the land that the Lord will give you, as he has promised, you shall keep this service. And when your children say to you, "What do you mean by this service?" you shall say, "It is the sacrifice of the Lord's Passover, for he passed over the houses of the people of Israel in Egypt, when he struck the Egyptians but spared our houses." (Exodus 12:26-27)

6. Because the Passover is the first proper commandment of God to his people.

This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the Lord; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast. (Exodus 12:14)

0.1 THE FEAST

The Passover Meal is the most commonly celebrated Jewish feast. It is called the "Seder". It is the meal of Yeshua's "Last Supper" with his disciples.

And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. And he said to them, "I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." (Luke 22:14-15)

0.2 THE RHYME

The Seder liturgy is summarized in a nice little rhyme that spells out the order of the whole meal. Each of these little words signifies a step in the order.

Qaddesh Urchatz, Karpas Yachatz
Maggid Rachtza, Motzi Mattza
Maror Korekh, Shulchan Orekh
Tzafun Barekh, Hallel Nirtza

0.3 THE LITURGY

We are doing a simplified liturgy, instead of a full-fledged one. Many items have been removed from the traditional liturgy for reasons of time and my own ignorance. Sorry =)

Items needed for the liturgy:

1. Two candles
2. Grape juice or wine
3. Unleavened bread or Matzah
4. A white cloth to wrap the unleavened bread
5. A napkin to hide the Afikomen
6. A washing bowl or basin
7. A green vegetable, e.g. celery or parsley: representing fertility and growth
8. A bitter herb, e.g. horseradish: representing the bitterness of slavery
9. A bowl of salt water or vinegar: representing sweat and tears during slavery, also representing the Red Sea

Let's begin the liturgy.

Eldest Woman: Let the eldest woman in the house light up two candles. (Usually every Sabbath, the youngest female in the house lights up the candles. But for Passover, it's the eldest woman.)

*I am the LORD, and **I will bring you out** from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and **I will deliver you** from slavery to them, and **I will redeem you** with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. **I will take you** to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the LORD your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. I will bring you into the land that I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you for a possession. I am the LORD."*

EXODUS 6:6-8

Part I

THE FIRST CUP: I WILL BRING YOU
OUT

QADDESH: SANCTIFY

Step 1: Sanctifying the wine.

The Qiddush ("Sanctification") is a Sabbath blessing recited over wine or grape juice. It's recited weekly to sanctify the Sabbath, but also on Jewish holidays. The Shehecheyanu ("Who has given us life") is a blessing recited during special occasions, e.g. the beginning of a holiday or feast.

The Qiddush:

Leader : And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

All : **Blessed are you O LORD our God, king of the universe, creator of the fruit of the vine.**

All : **[Pour a little wine for the person sitting to your left.]**

Leader : Blessed are you O LORD our God, king of the universe, who sanctified us with his commandments, and was pleased with us, and invested us with his holy Sabbath in love and favor, as a memorial of the Creation. For it is foremost among the holy festivals commemorating the exodus from Egypt. For you chose us and sanctified us, out of all the peoples, and you invested us with your holy Sabbath in

love and favor. Blessed are you O LORD, who sanctifies the Sabbath.

All : Amen.

The Shehecheyanu:

Leader : Blessed are you O LORD our God, king of the universe, who has given us life and sustained us and brought us to this occasion.

All : Amen.

All : [Drink the first cup.]

URCHATZ: AND WASH

Step 2: Washing the hands.

All: [Pour water over the hands of the person to your right.]

Yeshua, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" Yeshua answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Yeshua answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!"

Yeshua said to him, "The one who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but is completely clean. And you are clean, but not every one of you." For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "Not all of you are clean." When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you?.. (John 13:3-12)

3

KARPAS: VEGETABLE

Step 3: Dip the vegetables.

4

YACHATZ: DIVIDE

Step 4: Break the matzah.

And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

GENESIS 22:6-8

Part II

THE SECOND CUP: I WILL DELIVER YOU

5

MAGGID: TELLING

Step 5: Telling the story.

Leader : Let's read Exodus 12.

All : **[After reading] Blessed are you O LORD our God, king
of the universe, creator of the fruit of the vine.**

All : **Drink the second cup.**

6

RACHTZA: WASHING

Step 6: Washing the hands.

7

MOTZI MATTZA: BRINGING OUT MATZAH

Step 7: Eating the Matzah.

All : **Blessed are you O LORD our God, king of the universe,
who brings forth bread from the earth.**

8

MAROR: BITTER HERB

Step 8: Eating the Bitter Herb.

9

KOREKH: SANDWICH

Step 9: Eating the Sandwich.

10

SHULCHAN OREKH: PREPARING TABLE

Step 10: Eating the Meal.

TZAFUN: HIDDEN

Step 11: Eating the afikomen.

*Truly, you are a God who hides himself,
 O God of Israel, the Savior.
 All of them are put to shame and confounded;
 the makers of idols go in confusion together.
 But Israel is saved by the Lord
 with everlasting salvation;
 you shall not be put to shame or confounded
 to all eternity.*

Part III

THE THIRD CUP: I WILL REDEEM YOU

12

BARECH: BLESS

Step 12: Blessing after the meal.

Leader : Blessed are you O LORD our God, king of the universe, who nourishes the whole world with goodness, with grace, kindness, and compassion. He gives bread to all flesh, for his love endures forever. And through his great goodness we have never lacked, nor will we lack food forever, for the sake of his great name. For he is God, who nourishes and sustains all, and does good to all, and prepares food for all his creatures which he created. Blessed are you O LORD, who nourishes all.

All : Amen.

All : [Drink the third cup.]

Part IV

THE FOURTH CUP: I WILL TAKE YOU

HALLEL: PRAISE

Step 13: Song of praise.

Ilu hotzi, hotzi'anu
Hotzi'anu miMitzrayim
Hotzi'anu miMitzrayim
Dayenu

Had he only brought us, brought us out
Brought us out from Egypt
Brought us out from Egypt
Then it would have been enough

Day, day yenu (3x)
Dayenu
Dayenu!

It would have been enough (3x)
It would have been enough
It would have been enough!

Ilu natan, natan lanu
Natan lanu et haTorah
Natan lanu et haTorah
Dayenu

Had he given, given to us
Given to us the Torah
Given to us the Torah
Then it would have been enough

Day, day yenu...

It would have been enough...

Ilu shalach, shalach lanu
Shalach lanu et Mashiach
Shalach lanu et Mashiach
Dayenu

Had he sent, sent to us
Sent to us the Messiah
Sent to us the Messiah
Then it would have been enough

Day, day yenu...

It would have been enough...

All :

[Drink the fourth cup.]

And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Matt 26:30, Mark 14:26

NIRTZA: PLEASING

Step 14: Prayer that our service be pleasing and acceptable to God.

*Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her
that her warfare is ended,
that her iniquity is pardoned (nirtza),
that she has received from the LORD's hand
double for all her sins. (Isaiah 40:2)*

Part V

APPENDIX



THE DOOR

<Exodus 12:7>

Then they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it.

...the blood...

So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep."

...the door...

...the way...

"I am the way, and the truth, and the life."

...the life...

For the life of every creature is its blood: its blood is its life. Therefore I have said to the people of Israel, You shall not eat the blood of any creature, for the life of every creature is its blood. Whoever eats it shall be cut off.

For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it for you on the altar to make atonement for your souls, for it is the blood that makes atonement by the life.

...the life...is in the blood...

...without the blood, there is no life...

...without the blood, there is no atonement...

...without the blood, the door is just the door, it is not the way...

...but with the blood, the door becomes the way, the gate...

...the way...the way to where?

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

...the way to the Father...

Then you shall say to Pharaoh, 'Thus says the LORD, Israel is my firstborn son, and I say to you, "Let my son go that he may serve me."'

...that the son...may go to the Father...

...that the sheep...may go find pasture...

Know that the LORD, he is God!

*It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.*

*For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.*

Today, if you hear his voice,...

*I will surely assemble all of you, O Jacob;
I will gather the remnant of Israel;
I will set them together
like sheep in a fold,
like a flock in its pasture,
a noisy multitude of men.*

*He who opens the breach goes up before them;
they break through and pass the gate,
going out by it.*

*Their king passes on before them,
the LORD at their head.*

"To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out."

Moses spoke to the LORD, saying, "Let the Lord, the God of the spirits of all flesh, appoint a man over the congregation who shall go out before them and come in before them, who shall lead them out and bring them in, that the congregation of the LORD may not be as sheep that have no shepherd."

So the LORD said to Moses, "Take Joshua the son of Nun, a man in whom is the Spirit, and lay your hand on him."

And he shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who shall inquire for him by the judgment of the Urim before the Lord. At his word they shall go out, and at his word they shall come in, both he and all the people of Israel with him, the whole congregation."

"I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture."

Only be sure that you do not eat the blood, for the blood is the life, and you shall not eat the life with the flesh. Deut 12:23

So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you." John 6:53

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us...

*"Man shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."*

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it.

<Exodus 12:8>

B

THE SHEPHERD AND THE LAMB

How can you explain
He that is the Root of David, yet at the same time is the Branch?
The Shepherd, yet at the same time the Lamb?
The Lord, yet the Slave?
The Healer, yet the Wounded One?
Son of God the Creator, yet Son of Man the Creature?
The First and the Last? The Beginning and the End?

So high and mighty, yet closer than a friend?
The holy God of Heaven and the humble man who bore
Who bore my shame are one, one and the same