

Kiddish

Contributed by [stephanie berman](#)

Source: Many sources

Here we are, ready to perform the mitzvah of the first cup of wine and to dedicate this whole evening "to telling the story of miracles and wonders that were performed by our ancestors in Egypt on the night of the 15th of the month of *Nisan*, more than 3200 years ago. This recalls God's promise of redemption to the people of Israel, as it says, "Remember the day of your Exodus from Egypt" (Exodus 13:3).

Fill the first cup of wine

We are gathered here tonight to affirm our continuity with the generations of Jews who kept alive the vision of freedom in the Passover story. For thousands of years, Jews have affirmed that by participating in the Passover Seder. We not only remember the Exodus, but actually relive it, bringing its transformative power into our own lives.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם בּוֹרֵא פְּרֵי הַגָּפֶן.

Ba-ruch a-tah, A-do-nai,E-lo-hei-nu me-lech ha-o-lam,bo-rei p'ri ha-ga-fen. (*Amen*) Blessed are You, Lord our God, King of the universe, who creates the fruit of the vine. (*Amen*)

Drink the first cup of wine.