

Kiddush

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The joy of Passover is the joy of love; the hope of Passover is the hope of love.

Our ancestors suffered the coldness of hate and dreamed of the warmth of human kindness and universal love.

And then, after the long winter of their bondage, freedom burst forth upon them like spring.

In the rich sweetness of this wine, we celebrate in kinship the love and faith that give life.

Love, freedom, and faith in life - these have kept our people together, in the face of great odds, for four millenia.

May the struggle to attain these and to keep them succeed for all people in our time, and in the time to come.

BORUCH ATTO ADONOI ELOHENU MELECH HO'OLOM BORE P'RI HAGGOFEN

The Kiddush is a toast to this holiday in blessing the wine and the time passing.

Come, honored friends, let us together drink the toast: L'chayim! To life!

(All raise their cups, toast, and drink their wine.)