

Qiddush - Dedication

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THE FIRST CUP OF THE FRUIT OF THE VINE

Leader:

Let us all fill our glasses with the fruit of the vine.

[Resume taking turns reading. Each person is invited to read a grouped set of lines - or to pass.]

Spring is the season of new growth and new life.

Every living thing must either grow, or die; growth is a sign and a condition of life.

Human beings are perhaps unique among the Earth's inhabitants. Our most significant growth takes place inwardly.

We grow as we achieve new insights, new knowledge, new goals.

Let us raise our cups to signify our gratitude for life,

and for the joy of knowing inner growth, which gives human life its meaning. Together, with raised cups, let us say:

Leader:

P'riha-gaphen-`itto,nishteh"L'-Haiyim!"

Everyone:

The fruit of the vine - with it, let us drink "To Life!"

"L'-Haiyim!"

Leader:

Let us all now drink the first cup of the fruit of the vine.