

Minimalist Urchatz/Hand-washing

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Washing at this point raises the question: why now? Is it because slaves had no time to do it? Is it in gratitude for clean water?

Rabbi Elazar said that Rav Oshaya said: Anything that is dipped in a liquid before it is eaten requires the ritual of washing of hands, preventing people from making food ritually impure. Talmud Pesachim 115b

Wash this time without a blessing. Shulchan Aruch 158:4

Pour cup of water over one hand three times then the other; pat dry with a nice towel.