

The Ten Plagues

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As we rejoice at our deliverance from slavery, we acknowledge that our freedom came at the cost of the Egyptians' suffering, for we are all human beings made in the image of God.

This year, the term plague hits close to home as we attempt to celebrate amidst an active, festering pandemic.

In all other years, we recite each plague as we dip a finger into our wine glasses and pour out a drop. This year, let us pour our drops of wine for those on the front lines who are risking their lives at this very moment so that we can be here.

For the doctors, nurses and healthcare workers.

For the biochemists and lab technicians.

For the volunteers.

For the community leaders and decision makers.

For those staying at home for the sake of others.

For the deliver drivers, grocery store workers and all those carrying out essential jobs.

For the people who lost their jobs.

For the people who lost their shelter.

For the people who lost their loved ones.

For the people who lost their lives.

Blood | dam | דָּם

Frogs | tzfardeiya | צְפַרְדֵּיָא

Lice | kinim | כִּנִּים

Beasts | arov | עֲרוֹב

Cattle disease | dever | דְּבַר

Boils | sh'chin | שְׁחִין

Hail | barad | בָּרָד

Locusts | arbeh | אֲרֵבָה

Darkness | choshech | חֹשֶׁךְ

Death of the Firstborn | makat b'chorot | מַכַּת בְּכוֹרוֹת

