

JWW: Karpas

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This vegetable represents springtime and new growth. It is dipped in salt water, which is a reminder of the tears shed in slavery.

We cry with the mothers of Darfur who have buried their husbands and children. Our Passover tradition obligates us to tell the story of our suffering to imbue within our people a deep sensitivity to injustice and the suffering of others. In 2008,

we American Jews enjoy unparalleled freedom and opportunity. As we dip the karpas in salt water, we remember the tears shed in Egypt...and in Darfur.

Karpas question:

In today's often sanitized and material culture, how do we teach empathy, outrage, sensitivity and compassion?