

# Seder: Purpose

It is praiseworthy to tell the story of *Passover* even if you know all the details and interpretations (as did the great *rabbis* of the *Talmud*), because of the principle of “in order to remember” (*lema'an tizkor*): that we should remember everything God did for us when taking us out of Egypt.

## The Three Discussion Points

The most important part of the *seder* is discussing:

- *Passover* offering (*Pesach*),
- Unleavened bread (*matza*), and
- Bitter herbs (*maror*).

These three segments should be read from the *Passover hagada* in the *Hebrew*. If anyone does not understand the *Hebrew*, these paragraphs and the concepts they express must be explained in whatever language he or she can understand.

## Children at the Seder

Children are an integral part of the *seder*. We try to get children to ask questions and then we teach them the answers. The *Torah* says to do this!

## Acknowledging God's Miracles

We acknowledge God's miracles in sending the plagues against the Egyptians and their gods and in taking the Children of Israel out of slavery and Egypt.

## Telling Our History

We tell our history beginning with Jacob (*Yaakov*) and Laban (*Lavan*) and on to slavery and, finally, to achieving freedom.