



Why is this night different?

AT A GLANCE



Bible

Exodus 12:24–27



Topic

Liberation as a basic theme of faith



Takeaway

Living a culture of remembrance



10–15 minutes



Object: bitter herbs (e.g. horseradish) and matzah



Preparation: 10 min



indoors or by the fire



Make it personal: In two sentences, share something you have experienced yourself on the topic "Liberation as a basic theme of faith". Real stories stick best.



How the devotion works

2 min

Opening

Taste a little horseradish. Ask: What could something bitter stand for in a festival?

3 min

Bible text

Read Exodus 12:24–27. The children are to ask and the parents are to tell: this is how God set us free.

5 min

Thought

At the Seder, bitter herbs stand for the suffering of slavery. Liberation is not only remembered but made present anew every year. For Christians, Easter cannot be understood without Passover. And remembering is a commitment: whoever knows what unfreedom tastes like stands up for those who are not free today.

5 min

Conversation

Where is there unfreedom and exploitation today – and what can we do?



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Prayer to read aloud

God, you set slaves free and told us to remember. Make our remembering alive and our actions just. Amen.



To think further

- How can Christians honour Passover respectfully without appropriating it?
- Which memories shape your group?



For leaders

- Leave room for doubts and critical questions – an honest conversation matters more than a quick answer.
- As a leader, feel free to share a personal experience.
- With heavy topics, keep an eye on who is struggling and be available afterwards.



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