

HALLEL: SAYING HALLEL PSALMS

Hallel Divided at Seder

At the *seder*, *hallel* is divided into two parts. The first two *psalms*, read before the meal, deal with the *exodus* from Egypt. The remaining *psalms*, read after the meal, concern other miracles and the future of the Jewish nation.

Hallel at Night at Passover Seder

There are many opinions as to why we read *hallel* at night: most are related either to praising God for saving the Jewish people or to accompanying the *Passover* sacrifice in the *Temple* in Jerusalem.