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Matza Brei Blessing

The blessing on *matza brei* is *mezonot*, as long as the pieces of *matza* are smaller than 1.3 fl. oz. (39 ml, or 1/6 cup) each. If even one of the pieces is larger than 1.3 fl. oz., wash your hands and say *ha'motzi* before eating it.

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Do not say *she'hecheyanu* when lighting candles or saying *kiddush* on the last two days of *Passover* outside of *Eretz Yisrael* or the last day of *Passover* in *Eretz Yisrael*.

NOTE These are the only *Jewish festival* days on which *she'hecheyanu* is not said.

PASSOVER: CHOL HAMOED AND ENDING DAY(S): HALLEL

Shortened Hallel on Seventh Day of Passover

We omit parts of two of *hallel's psalms* on *chol ha'moed* and the seventh (and eighth) day(s) of *Passover*.

REASON The Egyptians drowned on the seventh day. We thus dampen our celebration of God's saving us because we feel sorry that people had to die, even though they were evil.

NOTE Since *chol ha'moed* is less important than the final days of *Passover*, we diminish *hallel* on *chol ha'moed* by omitting the same passages.

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