



ק"ק חזוק אמונה

CHIZUK AMUNO CONGREGATION – ROSENBLUM RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

SEARCHING FOR AND BURNING HAMETZ

בְּדִיקַת חֵמֶץ BEDIKAT HAMETZ

THE GREAT SEARCH... After it gets dark the night before the first Seder, conduct a house-wide search for hametz. This act symbolizes the removal any hametz that you may have missed in the days of cleaning that you have done to prepare for Pesach.

1 BEFORE THE SEARCH BEGINS...

ONE PERSON SHOULD PLACE ONE SMALL PIECE OF HAMETZ IN ALL OF THE ROOMS OF YOUR HOUSE (EXCEPT THE BATHROOMS).

*Baruh atah adonai
elohenu meleh ha-
olam asher kidshanu
bemitzvotav,
vetzivanu al biyur
hametz*

2 BEFORE YOU BEGIN THE SEARCH SAY THE FOLLOWING BRACHA:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה' אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו
וְצִוָּנוּ עַל בְּעוֹר חֵמֶץ.

Blessed are You, Lord our God, Ruler of the Universe, who sanctified us by commanding us to remove all the hametz



3 THE SEARCH BEGINS...

Turn off all of the lights in the house and light the candle that is found in your Bedikat Hametz kit. With the person who is holding the candle leading the way, form a parade around the house "searching" for the pieces of hametz that have been placed in each of the rooms.

WHEN YOU FIND A PIECE OF BREAD,
USE THE FEATHER AND SPOON TO SCOOP THE BREAD ONTO A PAPER PLATE.

*Kol hamira vahameiya
de-ika virshuti
dela hamiteh
udela viar-teh
udela yeda-ehna
leh li-ba-tel ve-lehevei
hefker ke'afra de'ar-a*

4 AFTER THE LAST PIECE OF BREAD HAS BEEN FOUND, RECITE THE FOLLOWING:

כָּל חֲמִירָא וְחֲמִיעָה דְאַפָּא בְּרִשׁוּתֵי
דְלָא חֲמִיתָה
וְדְלָא בְעֵרְתָה
וְדְלָא יְדַעְנָא

לָהּ לְבִטּוּל וְלַהּוּי הַפְּקָר כְּעַפְרָא דְאַרְעָא.
All hametz in my possession which I have not seen and have not removed shall be nullified and be ownerless as the dust of the earth.

