

Passover Sermon Starters for Rabbis

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Connecting the issue of hunger to important passages from the Haggadah:

- **Ha Lachma Anya** - This is the bread of poverty, which our ancestors ate in the land of Egypt. Let all who are hungry come and eat.
 - *Ha Lachma Anya* – This is the bread of poverty – what does poverty look like today? 40 million Americans, including millions of seniors and children, face food insecurity each and every day. Speak about who is hungry in America and why, using these [resources](#) and [stories](#) from MAZON.
- **Dayenu** – This year, let us say *dayenu*, enough. We have had enough and now it is time to do something to help end hunger.
 - Speak with your congregation about MAZON's [advocacy campaigns to protect the federal food safety net](#). Encourage them to urge members of Congress to protect essential nutrition programs, like SNAP, and ensure individuals and families have enough nutritious food to lead healthy lives.
- **B'chol dor v'dor** – In every generation, we are obligated to view ourselves as if we were the ones who went out from Egypt.
 - We were there, and yet we are also here, part of the unfolding story of pursuing justice in our own time. We retell and remember what was, and at the same time we continue to shape what will be.
 - Hunger is one of the most pressing challenges facing our generation and it is up to each of us to lift our voices and speak out to ensure that vital nutrition safety net programs are sufficiently funded and that there is a Jewish voice speaking out against hunger on Capitol Hill. Encourage members of your congregation to make generous [tzedakah contributions](#) to MAZON to help support our work on this vital issue.