

אֵמֶת וְאֵמוּנָה כָּל זֹאת, וְקָיָם עָלֵינוּ, כִּי הוּא יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ
וְאִין זִילְתּוֹ, וְאַנְחֵנוּ יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמּוֹ. הַפּוֹדֵנוּ מִיַּד מְלָכִים, מִלְּכֵנוּ
הַגּוֹאֲלֵנוּ מִכַּף כָּל הָעָרִיצִים. מֹשֶׁה וּמִרְיָם וּבְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל לָךְ עָנוּ
שִׁירָה בְּשִׂמְחָה רַבָּה, וְאָמְרוּ כֻלָּם:

● Emet ve-emunah kol zot, vekayam aleinu, ki hu Adonai Eloheinu ve-ein
zulato, va-anachnu Yisra-eil amo. Hapodeinu miyad melachiyim, malkeinu
hago-aleinu mikaf kol he-aritziyim. Mosheh uMiryam uveneit Yisra-eil, lecha
anu shirah besimcha raba, ve-amru chulam:

All this is true and certain and established among us, for You are Adonai our God; there is none beside You and we are
Israel, Your people. You have redeemed us from the hand of Kings, ruling us and redeeming us from the palm of tyrants.
Moshe and Miryam and the children of Israel sang this song to You with great joy as everyone said:



Long ago, Moshe and Miriam had a choice:
They could stay in Egypt, the tight place,
Where they knew the routine and what was expected of them
Or they could make a change in their lives and the world.



*Our ancestors had to choose between the sure destruction
of the advancing Egyptian army they were facing
And the impassable wall of water behind them.*

They asked the question of where should they turn and saw no answer.

Moshe turned to God and God said, "Why are you crying to me?
Speak to the Children of Israel and they will move forward."
God explained that Moshe already had the power to split the sea;
it was in his hand in the form of a rod.



*And so Moshe turned us around that we might see the miracle,
The parting of the sea, the path to freedom and birth,
the path to our own self-determination
To the freedom of being responsible for our own actions.*

And so we journeyed forward into the freedom of responsibility
and the responsibility of freedom.
And we did so on dry ground, safely,
even though danger was on both sides, close enough to touch.



*May we turn around now and see the miracles around us,
May we find the path to freedom and responsibility
May we see the danger around us and not succumb
May we join with Moshe and Miriam in their song to God.*