

וַיּוֹצֵאנוּ ה' מִמִּצְרַיִם בְּיָד חֲזָקָה וּבְזֵרַע נְטוּיָה וּבִמְאֹד גָּדֹל...

God brought us out of Egypt / the Narrow Place with a mighty hand,
an outstretched arm, and with great, awe-filled wonder... Deut. 26:8

וּבִמְאֹד [Root: י.ר.א fear, terror, awe, wonder, reverence :yir-ah

We are leaving the Narrow Places of our times. As we face the climate crisis, injustice, war, and an ongoing pandemic, we are all-too-familiar with *yirah's* aspect of terror and fear. Passover is an opportunity to pause and remember the other side of *yirah* – the wonder, awe, and joy of collective liberation, of fighting for what we love, and of doing so together, with bold action and spiritual audacity.

DISCUSS & SHARE: Which image best represents for you the wonder of being alive in these times? This Passover, where do you experience the power of *yirah* in your life and in this work for a just, livable and liberated future?

