

Symbols Of Freedom: Tie A Yellow Ribbon

Source & Resource Sheet

**What is my obligation to fight for other people's freedom?
How can I show they have not been forgotten using symbols and action?**

QUOTES ON FREEDOM

"Liberty, taking the word in its concrete sense, consists in the ability to choose."

Simone Weil (1909 - 1943), French Philosopher

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"Freedom is the right to live as we wish"

Epictetus

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"Life without liberty is like a body without spirit"

Kahlil Gibran

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"Freedom is the last, best hope of Earth"

Abraham Lincoln

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הָא לַחֲמַא עֲנִיָא דִּי אֲכָלוּ אַבְהֹתֵנָא בְּאַרְעָא דְּמִצְרַיִם. כָּל דְּכַפִּין יִיתִי וְיִיכַל, כָּל דְּצָרִיךְ יִיתִי וְיִפְסֹחַ. הַשְׁתָּא הָכָא, לְשָׁנָה הַבָּאָה בְּאַרְעָא דְּיִשְׂרָאֵל. הַשְׁתָּא עַבְדִּי, לְשָׁנָה הַבָּאָה בְּנֵי חוּרִין.

This is the bread of destitution that our ancestors ate in the land of Egypt. Anyone who is famished should come and eat, anyone who is in need should come and partake of the Passover sacrifice. Now we are here, next year we will be in the land of Israel; this year we are slaves, next year we will be free people.

Passover Haggadah, Maggid

QUOTES ON JUSTICE & SPEAKING OUT

*All the great things are simple, and many can be expressed in a single word:
freedom, justice, honor, duty, mercy, hope*

Winston Churchill

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*Human progress is neither automatic nor inevitable... Every step toward
the goal of justice requires sacrifice, suffering, and struggle; the tireless
exertions and passionate concern of dedicated individuals.*

Martin Luther King, Jr.

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למען ציון לא אֶחָשָׂה וְלמען ירושלים לא אֶשְׁקוּט עַד יֵצֵא כְנוֹגָה צְדָקָה וְיִשׁוּעָתָה כְּלַפִּיד בֹּקֵר

*“For the sake of Zion I will not be silent, for the sake of Jerusalem I will not be still, till her
victory emerges resplendent and her triumph like a flaming torch.”*

Isaiah 62:1

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רש"י: "לא אשקוט" לא יהא שלום לפני עד יצא כנוגה צדקה

*“I will not rest”: There will be no peace before Me until her righteousness (justice)
comes out like brilliance.*

Rashi interpretation on the verse in Isaiah,
translation by I.W. Slotki, Soncino Press, 1949

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צְדָק צְדָק תִּרְדֹּף לְמען תִּחְיֶה וְיִרְשָׁתָּ אֶת הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר ה' אֱ-לֹהֶיךָ נָתַן לְךָ.

*Justice, justice shall you pursue, that you may thrive and occupy the land that your God
is giving you.*

Deuteronomy 16:20