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This coming Shabbat is called Shabbat Hagadol, the great Shabbat! Different explanations are given as to why this particular Shabbat is called Shabbat Hagadol. The Torah instructed the Jewish people that they needed to slaughter a lamb to earn their exodus from Egypt. It required them to take a lamb, tie it to the bedpost four days prior to Erev Pesach, in order to ensure it was free of any blemishes. The medrash says that the tenth of Nissan, which is when they tied the lambs to their beds, fell on Shabbat. The Egyptians were enraged that the people had thechutzpah to take their gods as their menu item, yet they were powerless to fight back. This mini salvation, that the Jews were not harmed by the Egyptians, is the reason why that Shabbat was a "great" one. The miracle of that Shabbat was a preview of miracles to come. Looking back, we tend to view this detail as one that is relatively minor, since it pales in comparison to the amazing miracles that were to follow! Yet at that time, the Jewish people saw a great miracle that Shabbat, namely that they were left alone despite having taken the Egyptians' gods into their homes to slaughter.

This past Motzei Shabbat was a Motzei Shabbat Hagadol. It was a great Motzei Shabbat, for we witnessed the miracles of Hashem protecting His people from an unprecedented missile attack launched by the Iranian Amalekites against the Jewish state. Such an event of Divine intervention has never been seen before on such a level. We must appreciate the greatness of this past Motzei Shabbat Hagadol and pray that just as the events of that Shabbat Hagadol of Egypt, although large at the time, later paled in comparison to what was yet to lay ahead, so too will we merit to see even bigger miracles that will make last Motzei Shabbat's events pale in comparison, as we see our complete redemption unfolds before our eyes. With Hashem's mighty hand and outstretched arm, we pray that this coming Monday evening, when we sit around the seder table, we will not only have cause to retell the story of our redemption from Egypt, but we will also be able to tell over the unfolding story of our redemption from our current 2000 year old exile, and may we merit to bring the Korban Pesach this year in our newly built Beit Hamikdash! Amen!



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