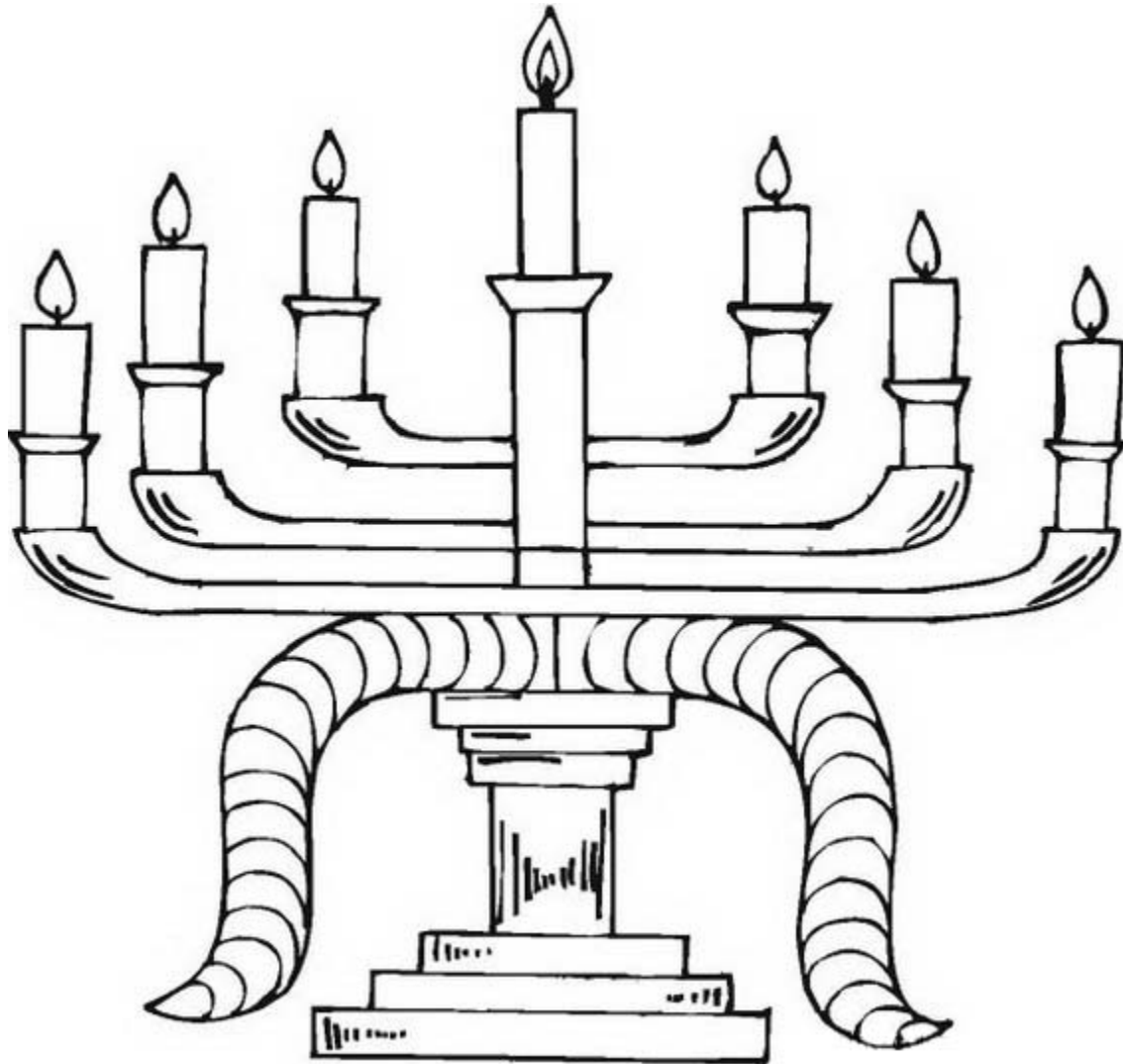


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The Story of the Menorah



There are two varieties of menorah that are used in the Jewish faith. The more traditional menorah has nine candles are used during the Hanukkah celebration. The eight-branched menorah is a traditional symbol of Judaism. The seven-branched menorah, above, is used in traditional ancient temples.

Early on there was a slight disagreement between two rabbinical schools of thought as how to light the Hanukkah menorah. Some light all the candles on the first night of Hanukkah and one less candle each day. Some light only one candle on the first night and an additional candle each day. The tradition of lighting an additional candle each night eventually won out.

