


The Passover

Exodus 12:1 – 12:36


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The Beginning of Months

■ **Exodus 12:1 - 3**

Now the Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, "This month shall be the beginning of months for you; it is to be the first month of the year to you. Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying, 'On the tenth of this month they are each one to take a lamb for themselves, according to their fathers' households, a lamb for each household.'"



Israel was "created" at Passover

■ **Isaiah 43:15 - 17**

"I am the Lord, your Holy One, The Creator of Israel, your King." Thus says the Lord, Who makes a way through the sea And a path through the mighty waters, Who brings forth the chariot and the horse, The army and the mighty man (They will lie down together and not rise again; They have been quenched and extinguished like a wick)



An unblemished lamb

■ **Exodus 12:4, 5**

“Now if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his neighbor nearest to his house are to take one according to the number of persons in them; according to what each man should eat, you are to divide the lamb. Your lamb shall be an unblemished male a year old; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats.”



The household is cleansed by blood

■ **Exodus 12:6, 7**

“And you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month, then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel is to kill it at twilight. Moreover, they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses in which they eat it.”



Passover Instructions

■ **Exodus 12:8 - 10**

“And they shall eat the flesh that same night, roasted with fire, and they shall eat it with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled at all with water, but rather roasted with fire, both its head and its legs along with its entrails. And you shall not leave any of it over until morning, but whatever is left of it until morning, you shall burn with fire.”



Yahweh will defeat all the Egyptian gods

■ **Exodus 12:11 - 12**

“Now you shall eat it in this manner: with your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste it is the Lord's Passover. For I will go through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike down all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments I am the Lord.”



Saved from God's judgment by the
blood of a lamb

■ **Exodus 12:13**

“The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live; and when I see the blood I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.”



A memorial meal that celebrates cleansing
from sin and fellowship with God

■ **Exodus 12:14**

“Now this day will be a memorial to you, and you shall celebrate it as a feast to the Lord; throughout your generations you are to celebrate it as a permanent ordinance.”



Leaven must be removed

■ Exodus 12:15

"Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, but on the first day you shall remove leaven from your houses; for whoever eats anything leavened from the first day until the seventh day, that person shall be cut off from Israel."



The Feast of Unleavened Bread

■ Exodus 12:16, 17

"On the first day you shall have a holy assembly, and another holy assembly on the seventh day; no work at all shall be done on them, except what must be eaten by every person, that alone may be prepared by you. You shall also observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread, for on this very day I brought your hosts out of the land of Egypt; therefore you shall observe this day throughout your generations as a permanent ordinance."



The Feast of Unleavened Bread

■ Exodus 12:18 - 20

"In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at evening, you shall eat unleavened bread, until the twenty-first day of the month at evening. Seven days there shall be no leaven found in your houses; for whoever eats what is leavened, that person shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he is an alien or a native of the land. You shall not eat anything leavened; in all your dwellings you shall eat unleavened bread."



Hyssop used for ceremonial cleansing

■ **Exodus 12:21, 22**

Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel and said to them, "Go and take for yourselves lambs according to your families, and slay the Passover lamb. You shall take a bunch of hyssop and dip it in the blood which is in the basin, and apply some of the blood that is in the basin to the lintel and the two doorposts; and none of you shall go outside the door of his house until morning."



The Lamb is a substitute for the firstborn

■ **Exodus 12:23, 24**


"For the Lord will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when He sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, the Lord will pass over the door and will not allow the destroyer to come in to your houses to smite you. And you shall observe this event as an ordinance for you and your children forever."



The Passover Feast will preserve Israel's identity for future generations

■ **Exodus 12:25, 26**


"When you enter the land which the Lord will give you, as He has promised, you shall observe this rite. And when your children say to you, 'What does this rite mean to you?'"



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■ **Exodus 12:27**


"You shall say, 'It is a Passover sacrifice to the Lord who passed over the houses of the sons of Israel in Egypt when He smote the Egyptians, but spared our homes.'" And the people bowed low and worshiped.



They believe God and take action

■ **Exodus 12:28**

Then the sons of Israel went and did so; just as the Lord had commanded Moses and Aaron, so they did.



The 10th Plague: Death of the firstborn

■ **Exodus 12:29, 30**

Now it came about at midnight that the Lord struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sat on his throne to the firstborn of the captive who was in the dungeon, and all the firstborn of cattle. Pharaoh arose in the night, he and all his servants and all the Egyptians, and there was a great cry in Egypt, for there was no home where there was not someone dead.



"Get out now! You and everything you have, go!"

■ **Exodus 12:31, 32**

Then he called for Moses and Aaron at night and said, "Rise up, get out from among my people, both you and the sons of Israel; and go, worship the Lord, as you have said. Take both your flocks and your herds, as you have said, and go, and bless me also."



This was the decisive plague

■ **Exodus 12:33, 34**

The Egyptians urged the people, to send them out of the land in haste, for they said, "We will all be dead." So the people took their dough before it was leavened, with their kneading bowls bound up in the clothes on their shoulders.



They plunder the Egyptians

■ **Exodus 12:35, 36**

Now the sons of Israel had done according to the word of Moses, for they had requested from the Egyptians articles of silver and articles of gold, and clothing; and the Lord had given the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they let them have their request. Thus they plundered the Egyptians.



Applications

- 1) There is an unblemished Lamb provided for us
- 2) The blood of the Lamb is the only means of cleansing
- 3) We need to obey the gospel so that God's judgment passes over us



- 1) There is an unblemished Lamb provided for us

■ **John 1:29**

The next day he saw Jesus coming to him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"

■ **1Corinthians 5:7**

Clean out the old leaven so that you may be a new lump, just as you are in fact unleavened. For Christ our Passover also has been sacrificed.



- 1) There is an unblemished Lamb provided for us

■ **1Peter 1:18, 19**

knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ.



- 2) The blood of the Lamb is the only means of cleansing

■ **Hebrews 9:22, 27, 28**

And according to the Law, one may almost say, all things are cleansed with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness. And inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment, so Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time for salvation without reference to sin, to those who eagerly await Him.



- 3) We need to obey the gospel so that God's judgment passes over us

■ **Hebrews 12:24, 25**

and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood, which speaks better than the blood of Abel. See to it that you do not refuse Him who is speaking. For if those did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, much less will we escape who turn away from Him who warns from heaven.



- 3) We need to obey the gospel so that God's judgment passes over us

■ **Hebrews 6:18, 19**

in order that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we may have strong encouragement, we who have fled for refuge in laying hold of the hope set before us. This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a hope both sure and steadfast and one which enters within the veil,

