

**JESUS CHRIST**  
**THE PASSOVER LAMB**

**EXODUS 12**

# INTRODUCTION

- The last plague in Egypt was the death of every firstborn son in Egypt.
- Exodus 11:5: ***“Every firstborn son in Egypt will die, from the firstborn son of Pharaoh, who sits on the throne, to the firstborn son of the slave girl, who is at her hand mill, and all the firstborn of cattle as well, there will be loud wailing throughout Egypt—worse than there has ever been or ever will be again.”***

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- However, before the last plague, God instructed the Israelites to celebrate the **Feast of Passover** and the **Feast of Unleavened Bread**.
- The blood of the Passover lamb placed on the door frames will save them from the death.

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- During the **Feast of Unleavened Bread**, they have to take out all the leaven out of their homes on the first day of the first month.
- Then eat unleavened bread from 14<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> of the month.

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- They were also asked to eat bitter herbs with the Passover meal to remind them about bitterness of slavery in Egypt.

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- These two feasts have the following spiritual applications for us as Christians:
  - **Jesus Christ**, is our **Passover Lamb** whose death bought salvation for us.

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- We need to live a sanctified life.
- We should celebrate and proclaim the message of the Cross.

# **(1) JESUS CHRIST**

## **THE PERFECT PASSEOVER LAMB**

- God gave following requirements for the Passover Lamb:
  - It must be selected on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the first month (Ex. 12:3; Mk. 14)
  - It must be one year old.
  - It must be sacrificed at twilight (Ex. 12:6; Lk. 23:44-46)



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- It should be male.
- It should be without any defect (1<sup>st</sup> Pe. 1:18-19; 2:22)
- It can be a sheep or goat.
- It should be roasted on the fire.
- It's bones should not be broken (Jn. 19:33-37)

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- The blood of the Lamb should be placed on the sides of the door frames and on the top.
- Death will not enter in that home.
- The Passover lamb is type of Christ in the O.T. (1<sup>st</sup> Cor. 5:6-8; Rev. 5:9-14)

## (2) SIGNIFICANCE OF THE DEATH OF CHRIST

- The death of Jesus Christ did the following for us:
  - A. Redemption - Penalty paid (Gal. 1:3; Eph. 1:3; Col. 1:14 & Rev. 5:19).
  - B. Propitiation - God is satisfied (Ro. 3:25; 1<sup>st</sup> John. 2:2 & Heb. 9:25)

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C. Reconciliation - We have peace with God (2<sup>nd</sup> Cor. 5:16-21)

Jesus Christ by His death paid the penalty of sin for the whole world and now every sinner can receive the gift of salvation by grace through faith.

# **(3) WE SHOULD GET RID OF SIN FROM OUR LIFE.**

- God told the Israelites to get rid of all leaven out of their homes in order to celebrate the **Feast of Unleavened Bread.**
- Leaven signifies sin in the N.T. (1<sup>st</sup> Cor. 5:6; Mt. 16:6, 12 & Gal.5:9)

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- God brought Israel out of Egypt to be a Holy Nation and a Kingdom of Priests (Ex. 19:6).
- Same is true for us (1<sup>st</sup> Pe. 2:9-10).
- Let us live a Holy life for God's Glory and our growth.

# **(4) CELEBRATE AND PROCLAIM THE DEATH OF CHRIST**

- In Exodus 12:14, God said ***“This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as festival to the LORD- a lasting ordinance.”***
- Year after year the Nation celebrated the Passover.

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- Our Lord Jesus Christ celebrated the **Feast of Passover** (Lk. 22:1-23; Mt. 26; Mk. 14 and Jn. 13).
- He fulfilled the Passover, initiated the New Covenant and gave us a New Ordinance as a memorial (Lk. 22:17-20)



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- The Death of Christ is the key part of the Gospel message and must be proclaimed with power and passion (1<sup>st</sup> Cor. 1:18-25; 2:1-2; Gal. 3:1 & 6:14)

# APPLICATION

- We should **Repent and Trust** Christ to receive forgiveness of sins.
- We should live a **Holy Life** for the Glory of God and our Growth.
- We should **Celebrate and Proclaim** the death of Jesus Christ .