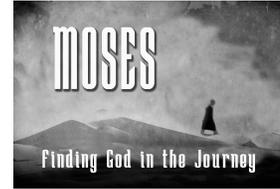


accordance with the law. ⁹ Then he said, “Here I am, I have come to do your will.” He sets aside the first to establish the second. ¹⁰ And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

The Passover pointed to Christ THE “Lamb of God” who could take away our sins.

WHAT IS THE PASSOVER’S CONNECTION WITH COMMUNION?

- The Passover was a reminder to the Hebrews how God had delivered them from Egypt. Communion is a reminder to *us* that we can have life because of the death of Christ—the Lamb of God—as our substitute.
- It symbolizes our dependence upon and vital connection with Jesus as our Salvation.
- Just as the Passover had the future of the People in mind, communion points forward to Christ’s second coming.
- Communion also symbolizes the solidarity of Believers within the Church and our concern for one another. (1 Corinthians 12:25)
- It’s a time to reflect on our lives . . . and if we need to an opportunity to recommit ourselves to God . . . to renew, or for the first time submit ourselves to his authority and to living in obedience to him.



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Part 4

Passover

Exodus 12:1 – 13 & 21 - 30

⁴ So Moses said to Pharaoh, “This is what the LORD says: ‘About midnight I will go throughout Egypt. 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 female slave, who is at her hand mill, and all the firstborn of the cattle as well. ⁶ There will be loud wailing throughout Egypt—worse than there has ever been or ever will be again. (Exodus 11:4 – 6 NIV)

MAIN POINT – Responding to God, _____, leads to salvation.

Exodus 5:2 – “Who is the LORD, that I should obey him . . . ?”

Exodus 8:25 – Then Pharaoh summoned Moses and Aaron and said, “Go, sacrifice to your God here in the land.”

Exodus 8:28 – “I will let you go to offer sacrifices to the LORD your God in the wilderness, but you must not go very far.”

Exodus 10:11 – “. . . only the men can go.”

Exodus 10:24 – “. . . your women and children may go with you; only leave your flocks and herds behind.”

WHAT IS THE PASSOVER ABOUT?

God does things in the OT for two reasons:

1. To _____ a thing
2. To _____, _____, _____ a bigger principle about life and relationship with him.

Two examples:

Luke 24:27 – And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself. (NIV)

John 5:39 – You study the Scriptures diligently because you think that in them you have eternal life. These are the very Scriptures that testify about me . . . (NIV)

The Bible in its _____, ultimately

THE LAMB

The Lamb Is To Be _____

v. 3 – 5 – ³ Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. ⁴ If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat. ⁵ The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect . . .

1 Peter 1:18 – 19 – ¹⁸ For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. (NIV)

The Lamb Is a _____

Exodus 12:12 - 13 – ¹² “On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn of both people and animals, and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD. ¹³ The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt.

Matthew 26:39 – “My Father! If it is possible, let this cup of suffering be taken away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine.” (NLT)

The Lamb Is To Be _____

What is this telling us?

Saving-faith is _____ it must be _____

John 5:39 - 40 – ³⁹ You study the Scriptures diligently because you think that in them you have eternal life. These are the very Scriptures that testify about me ⁴⁰ yet you refuse to come to me to have life. (NIV)

God does not _____

Exodus 12:22 – “Take a bunch of hyssop, dip it into the blood in the basin and put some of the blood on the top and on both sides of the doorframe. None of you shall go out of the door of your house until morning.”

WHAT IS JESUS’ CONNECTION WITH THE PASSOVER?

The lamb of Exodus 12 is a _____ of whom John the Baptist said: “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!” (John 1:29 NIV)

Hebrews 9:12 – With his own blood—not the blood of goats and calves — he entered the Most Holy Place once for all time and secured our redemption forever.

Hebrews 10:1 – 10 – ¹ The law is only a shadow of the good things that are coming—not the realities themselves. For this reason it can never, by the same sacrifices repeated endlessly year after year, make perfect those who draw near to worship. ² Otherwise, would they not have stopped being offered? For the worshipers would have been cleansed once for all, and would no longer have felt guilty for their sins. ³ But those sacrifices are an annual reminder of sins. ⁴ It is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.

⁵ Therefore, when Christ came into the world, he said:

“Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but a body you prepared for me; ⁶ with burnt offerings and sin offerings you were not pleased.

⁷ Then I said, ‘Here I am—it is written about me in the scroll—I have come to do your will, my God.’”

⁸ First he said, “Sacrifices and offerings, burnt offerings and sin offerings you did not desire, nor were you pleased with them”—though they were offered in