

The Passover

A Detailed Picture of Christ's Redemption

Exodus 12: 1-14, 21-23, 28-29

- 1 Then Jehovah spoke to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying,
 - 2 This month will be the beginning of months for you; it shall be the first of the months of the year to you.
 - 3 Speak to all the assembly of Israel, saying, On the tenth of this month each man shall take a lamb according to his fathers' house, a lamb for a household.
 - 4 And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his neighbor next to his house shall take one according to the number of the persons in the houses; according to each man's eating you shall make your count for the lamb.
 - 5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats.
 - 6 And you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole congregation of the assembly of Israel shall kill it at twilight.
 - 7 And 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.
 - 8 And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roasted with fire, and they shall eat it with unleavened bread with bitter herbs.
 - 9 Do not eat any of it raw or boiled at all with water, but roasted with fire—its head with its legs and with its inward parts.
 - 10 And you shall not let any of it remain until the morning, but any of it that remains until the morning you shall burn with fire.
 - 11 And this is how you shall eat it: with your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste. It is Jehovah's passover.
 - 12 For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night and will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast. Also against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments. I am Jehovah.
 - 13 And the blood shall be a sign for you upon the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and there will be no plague upon you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.
 - 14 And this day will be a memorial to you, and you shall keep it as a feast to Jehovah; throughout your generations as a perpetual statute you shall keep it as a feast.
 - 21 Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel and said to them, Draw out and take lambs according to your families, and slaughter the passover.
 - 22 And you shall take a bunch of hyssop and dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and you shall apply some of the blood that is in the basin to the lintel and to the two doorposts; and none of you shall go outside the entrance of his house until the morning.
 - 23 For Jehovah will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when He sees the blood upon the lintel and on the two doorposts, Jehovah will pass over the entrance and will not allow the destroyer to come into your houses to smite you.
 - 28 And the children of Israel went and did so; just as Jehovah had commanded Moses and Aaron, so they did.
 - 29 And at midnight Jehovah 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.
- 1 Cor. 5:7** ...for our Passover, Christ, also has been sacrificed.
- 1 Cor. 10:11** Now these things happened to them [the children of Israel] as an example, and they were written for our admonition, unto whom the ends of the ages have come.

I. The context:

A. A revelation of the true nature of Egypt (the world):

1. **Exo. 7:20** And Moses and Aaron did just as Jehovah commanded; and he lifted up the staff and struck the water that was in the River in the sight of Pharaoh and in the sight of his servants, and all the water that was in the River was turned to blood.
2. **Gal. 6:14** But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world has been crucified to me and I to the world.

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B. Egypt (the world) being appointed for judgment - Exo. 12:12

1. **John 12:31** Now is the judgment of this world; now shall the ruler of this world be cast out.
2. **Rom. 3:19** ...that every mouth may be stopped and all the world may fall under the judgment of God;

II. The way of salvation prepared by God:

A. The Lamb - Exo. 12:4-6

1. **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!
2. **1 Pet. 1:18-19** Knowing that *it was* not with corruptible things, with silver or gold, *that* you were redeemed from your vain manner of life handed down from your fathers, 19 But with precious blood, as of a Lamb without blemish and without spot, *the blood* of Christ;

B. The shedding of blood - Exo. 12:7

1. **Heb. 9:22** ...without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.
2. **Eph. 1:7** In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of offenses...

C. The sign of the blood - Exo. 12:13

1. **Exo 13:9** And it shall be for a sign to you upon your hand and for a memorial between your eyes, that the law of Jehovah may be in your mouth; for with a mighty hand Jehovah brought you out of Egypt.
2. **Heb. 11:28** By faith he [Moses] instituted the Passover and the pouring out of the blood so that the one destroying the firstborn would not touch them.
3. **Heb. 10:22** Having therefore, brothers, boldness for entering the *Holy of Holies* in the blood of Jesus