

All Nations Apostolic Tabernacle Conversational Virtual Bible Study Wednesday, April 15, 2020

# CALLED TO OBEDIENCE

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# EXODUS 12:11–13 (WORDSTUDY KJV)

And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the LORD's passover.

<sup>12</sup> For I will [pass through] the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, [both man] and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD. <sup>13</sup> And the blood shall be [to you] for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be [upon you] to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.

#### PASSOVER

Passover commemorates the Biblical story of Exodus where God freed the Israelites from slavery in Egypt.

**Passover** is also **called** the Feast of Unleavened Bread.



After more than four hundred years of bondage in Egypt, God delivered the descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob from slavery

In obedience to God's call, Moses confronted Pharaoh with God's mandate, "Let My People Go."

Moses, by the power of God, called down 10 destructive plagues of judgment on the Egyptians.

GOD'S MIRACULOUS DELIVERANCE

Plaque: Death of the first born!



#### THE TENTH & FINAL PLAGUE

God sent a death angel throughout the land of Egypt to destroy "All the firstborn in the Nation, both man and beast."

• Exodus 12:12 (KJV)<sup>12</sup> For I will [pass through] the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, [both man] and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the Lord.

## THE ISRAELITES & THE DEATH ANGELS

#### Exodus 12:3-7 (KJV).

<sup>3</sup> Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take [to them] [every man] a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for a house:

<sup>4</sup> And if the household [be too little] [for the lamb,] let him and his neighbor next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls; [every man] [according to] his eating shall make your count for the lamb.



## THE ISRAELITES & THE DEATH ANGELS

#### Exodus 12:3-7 (KJV).

<sup>5</sup> Your lamb shall be [without blemish,] a male of the first year: ye shall [take it out] from the sheep, or from the goats:

<sup>6</sup> And ye shall keep it [up until] the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening.

<sup>7</sup> And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two [side posts] and on the [upper door post] of the houses, wherein they shall eat it.



# FOLLOW GOD'S PLAN; IT'S CALLED "OBEDIENCE"

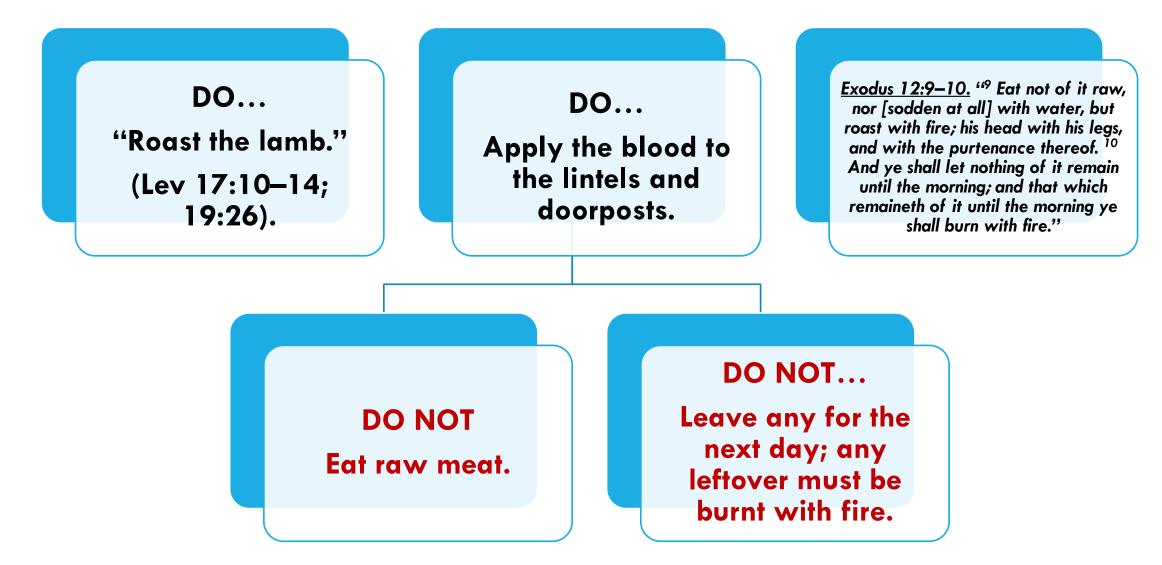
God's plans are always straight forward and clear. This plan requires full obedience from every family (Exodus 12):

A one-year old male lamb without defects. Lamb should be selected on the tenth day of the month and be kept for four days in the house [vv. 3 & 6]. The whole congregation must kill their lamb at twilight on the fourteenth day of the month. (v. 6). Some of the blood of the lamb should be placed on the two side posts and on the the upper door post of the House where the lamb would be eaten (v. 7)..

Eat the lamb with "Unleavened bread with bitter herbs" (v. 8).

The flesh of the lamb should be roasted and eaten with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. "And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and [unleavened bread;] and with bitter herbs they shall eat it" (v. 8).

# THE DO'S AND DON'TS OF GOD'S PLAN



# THE PASSOVER: A FOREVER ORDINANCE

God's people celebrate the Passover every spring, in response to His command.

<u>Exodus 12:14 KJV</u>. "And this day shall be [unto you] for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to the Lord throughout your generations; ye shall [keep it a feast] by an ordinance forever."

Once the Temple was built, God commanded that the Passover celebration and the killing of the lamb should take place in Jerusalem.

Deuteronomy 16:6 (KJV). But at the place which the Lord thy God shall choose to place his name in, there thou shalt sacrifice the passover at even, at the [going down] of the sun, at the season that thou [camest forth] [out of Egypt.].

# **DO IT ACCORDING TO GOD'S PLAN**

#### Blood and fat forbidden.

<u>Genesis 9:4.</u> "But flesh with the life thereof, which is the blood thereof, shall ye not eat."

Exodus 29:13. "And thou shalt take all the fat that covereth the inwards, and the caul *that is* above the liver, and the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, and burn *them* upon the altar."

Dressed and ready to leave. [Exodus 12:11]

Eat; ready to depart in haste. [Exodus12:29-36] Do not eat the meat raw or boiled in water, but roast it over a fire—with the head, legs and internal organs.

# GET SET...

# READY...

GO!!!

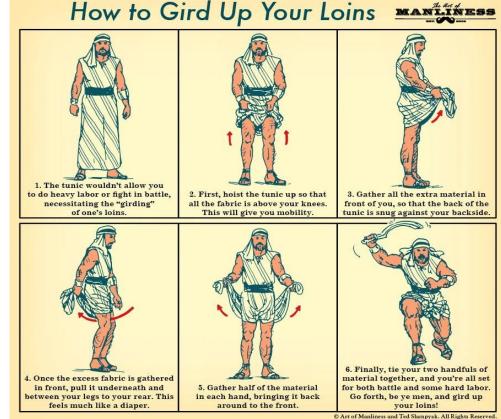
Passover Readiness Protocol (Ex. 12:11)

Loins girded.
Shoes on.
Staff in hand.

Decisive and immediate obedience.

**Willful deliberate reje**ction of God's instruction results in divine judgment.

**Exodus 12:19.** "Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, even that soul shall be [cut off] [from the congregation] of Israel, whether he be a stranger, or born in the land."



# GET SET...GET READY...GO

### **PARALLELS: JESUS CHRIST & THE PASSOVER**

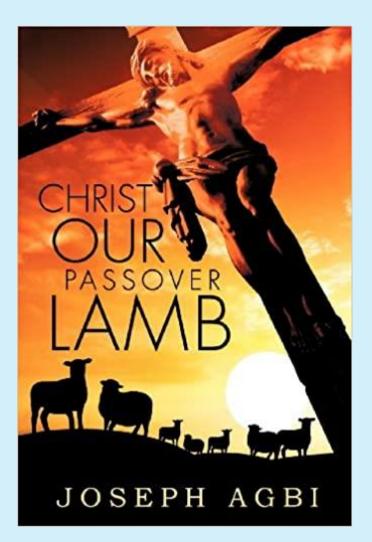
The New Testament explicitly teaches that Jewish O.T. feasts are "a shadow of things to come."

<u>Colossians 2:16–17 (KJV).</u> <sup>16</sup>Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of a [holy day,] or of the [new moon,] or of the sabbath days: <sup>17</sup> Which are a shadow of [things to come;] but the body is of Christ.

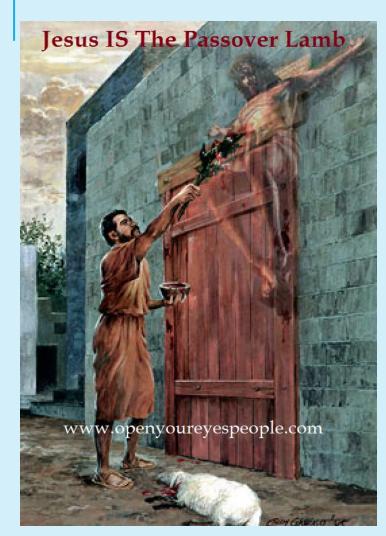
<u>Hebrews 10:1 (KJV).</u> For the law having a shadow of [good things] [to come,] and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered [year by year] continually [make the comers thereunto perfect.].

God's saving grace was the heart and soul of the Passover events [Deut. 7:7-10].

Similarly, the salvation we receive from Christ comes through the amazing grace of God [Eph. 2:8-10; Titus 3:4-5].



### PARALLELS: BLOOD ON THE DOOR POST...



The blood applied to the door post was to save the firstborn of each family from death (Exodus 12:13, 23, 27).

The Passover lamb was a "sacrifice" that functioned as a substitute for the firstborn (Exodus 12:27).

This sacrifice points to Christ's death as a substitution for the believer's death [Rom 3:25].

<u>1Corinthians 5:7 (KJV).</u> [Purge out] therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ, our Passover is sacrificed for us: The male lamb that was marked for death had to be without blemish [Exodus 12:5].

This lamb prefigures the sinlessness of Christ, the prefect Son of God.

<u>John 8:46 (KJV).</u> "Which of you convinceth [convicts] me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me?"

<u>Hebrews 4:15 (KJV).</u> "For we have not a [high priest] which cannot [be touched with the feeling of] our infirmities; but was in [all points] tempted [like as] we are, yet without sin."

The eating of the lamb represented the identification of the Israelite community with the lamb's death. A death that saved them from physical death.



### PARALLELS: JESUS, THE SINLESS LAMB OF GOD

# PARALLELS: CHRIST OUR PASSOVER LAMB

Christ's death on the cross is the only effective sacrifice.

• <u>1 Corinthians 11:24</u> (KJV) "And when he had [given thanks,] he broke it, and [said, Take,] eat: this is my body, [which is broken] for you: this do in remembrance of me." The sprinkling of the blood on the posts was done in obedient faith.

- Exodus 12:28 (KJV).
  - "And the children of Israel [went away,] and did as the Lord had commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they."

#### • Hebrews 11:28 (KJV).

"Through faith he kept the passover, and the sprinkling of blood, lest [he that destroyed] the firstborn should touch them."

# THE OBEDIENCE OF FAITH

Salvation through Christ's blood is only obtained through the "Obedience of Faith."

<u>Romans 16:26 (KJV)</u>. "But now is [made manifest,] and by the Scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, [made known] to all nations for the obedience of faith":

<u>Romans 16:26 (NIV).</u> "But now revealed and made known through the prophetic writings by the command of the eternal God, so that all the Gentiles might come to the obedience that comes from faith."

### SEPARATION FROM THE WORLD

# The Passover lamb was to be eaten with unleavened bread (Exodus 12:8).

Exodus 13:7 (KJV)<sup>7</sup> [Unleavened bread] shall be eaten seven days; and there shall no [leavened bread] be seen [with thee,] neither shall there be leaven seen [with thee] in all thy quarters.

Matthew 16:6 (KJV) <sup>6</sup> Then Jesus said unto them, [Take heed] and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.

The unleavened bread represents the separation of the redeemed Israelites from Egypt (Ex12:15).



God's redeemed people are called to separate themselves from the sinful world.