

Never Forget What He Has Done!

Exodus 12:14 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 for ever. 15 Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul **shall be cut off from Israel**. 16 And in the first day *there shall be* an holy convocation, and in the seventh day there shall be an holy convocation to you; **no manner of work** shall be done in them, save *that* which every man must eat, that only may be done of you. 17 And ye shall observe ***the feast of unleavened bread***; for in this selfsame day have I brought your armies out of the land of Egypt: therefore shall ye observe this day in your generations by an ordinance for ever. 18 In the first *month*, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall **eat unleavened bread**, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even. 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.** 20 Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread.

21 Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, Draw out and **take you a lamb according to your families, and kill the passover.** 22

And ye shall take a **bunch of hyssop,** and dip *it* in the blood that *is* in the bason, and **strike the lintel** and the **two side posts** with the blood that *is* in the bason; and **none of you shall go out at the door of his house until the morning.** 23 For the Lord will pass through

to smite the Egyptians; and **when he seeth the blood** upon the lintel, and on the two side

posts, **the Lord will pass over**

the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come

in unto your houses to smite *you*. 24 And ye shall **observe**

this thing for an ordinance to thee and to thy

sons for ever. 25 And it shall come to pass, **when ye be**

come to the land which the Lord will give you,

according as he hath promised, that **ye shall keep this**

service. 26 And it shall come to pass, when your children

shall say unto you, **What mean ye by this**

service? 27 That ye shall say, **It is the**

sacrifice of the Lord's

passover, who passed over the houses of the

children of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Egyptians, and

delivered our houses. And the people bowed the head and

worshipped. 28 And the children of Israel went away, and did as the Lord had commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they.

29 And it came to pass, that **at midnight the Lord smote all the firstborn in the land of**

Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that *was* in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle. 30 And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt; **for there was not a house where there was not one dead.** 31 And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, Rise up, *and* get you forth from among my people, both ye and the children of Israel; and go, serve the Lord, as ye have said. 32 Also take your flocks and your herds, as ye have said, and be gone; and bless me also. 33 And the Egyptians were urgent upon the people, that they might send them out of the land in haste; for they said, We *be* all dead *men*. 34 And the people took their dough before it was leavened, their kneadingtroughs being bound up in their clothes upon their shoulders. 35 And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they borrowed of the Egyptians jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment: 36

And the Lord gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent unto them *such things as they required*. And they spoiled the Egyptians.

37 And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand on foot *that were men*, beside children. 38 And **a mixed multitude** went up

also with them; and flocks, and herds, *even* very much cattle.

39 And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought forth out of Egypt, for it was not leavened; because they were thrust out of Egypt, and could not tarry, neither had they prepared for themselves any victual. 40 Now the

sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, **was four hundred and thirty years.** 41 And it came to pass at

the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the Lord went out from the land of Egypt. 42 *It is* a night to be much observed unto the Lord for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: *this is* that night of the Lord to be observed of all the children of Israel in their generations.

43 And the Lord said unto Moses and Aaron, *This is* the ordinance of the passover: **There shall no stranger eat**

thereof: 44 But every man's servant that is **bought for money, when thou hast circumcised him,** then shall he eat thereof. 45 A foreigner and an hired servant shall not eat thereof. 46 **In one house shall it be eaten;** thou shalt not carry forth ought of the flesh abroad out of the house; **neither shall ye break a bone thereof.** 47 **All the congregation of Israel shall keep it.** 48 And when a **stranger shall sojourn with thee,** and will keep the passover to the Lord, **let all his males be circumcised,** and then let him come near and keep it; and **he shall be as one that is born in the land:** for no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof. 49 **One law** shall be to him that is homeborn, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you. 50 Thus did all the children of Israel; as the Lord commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they. 51 And it came to pass the selfsame day, *that* the Lord did bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt by their armies.

1. They were never to forget what God was doing **12:14** *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 for ever.*
 - a. God wants His people to always remember what He has done. We are to set aside specific time to just think about Him and what He has done
 - b. Anyone in good fellowship with God and the others that worshiped Him would set aside these 7 days **15** *Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul **shall be cut off from Israel.***
 - i. They knew that they were to be thinking and talking about what He did
 - ii. They were to make changes from their routine so that they would be more forced or pushed to think about what He had done
 - iii. They were not to work so that they would be able to think **16** *And in the first day **there shall be an holy***

convocation, and in the seventh day there shall be an holy convocation to you; **no manner of work** shall be done in them, save *that* which every man must eat, that only may be done of you.

- c. He gave them a set day to remember Him and His work **18** In the first *month*, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall **eat unleavened bread**, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even.
- d. He told them what to call it **17** And ye shall observe ***the feast of unleavened bread***; for in this selfsame day have I brought your armies out of the land of Egypt: therefore shall ye observe this day in your generations by an ordinance for ever.
- e. They were to break fellowship with anyone who would not respect the time of remembrance **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.**

- f. There are great lessons here for us as we take the Lord's supper.
 - i. Obviously this was a Jewish ordinance but I see things that are similar and apply
 - ii. Don't forget the apostles would have been very used to this part of their culture. It will have affected how they felt about the Lord's supper
 - iii. God definitely still wants us to remember what Jesus did for us on Calvary
 - iv. We should be willing to set aside special time to remember even if it is inconvenient
 - v. We should take time to focus on simply remembering
 - 1. Think about it
 - 2. Talk it over with others
 - 3. We don't have a set day or schedule given to us but want to keep a date and remember
 - vi. The Lord's Supper is part of who we are. We should make it really important
 - vii. We should use it to train our children

2. The time had come for the actual sacrifice **21** Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, Draw out and **take you a lamb according to your families, and kill the passover.**
 - a. He had already told them about the sacrifice and what it would mean
 - b. He had now told them to go ahead and prepare to have a celebration every year so that they would not forget
 - c. The actual night
 - i. They were to kill the lamb **21** Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, Draw out and **take you a lamb according to your families, and kill the passover.**
 1. Each household would have one lamb **3** 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 an house:**
 2. The lamb would be in the house with them from the 10th to the 14th **6** 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.

3. That lamb was to be a male of the first year, without blemishes **5** Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take *it* out from the sheep, or from the goats:

- ii. They will be the blood on their doorway **22** And ye shall take a **bunch of hyssop**, and dip *it* in the **blood** that *is* in the bason, and **strike the lintel** and the **two side posts** with the blood that *is* in the bason; and **none of you shall go out at the door of his house until the morning.**

1. They have killed the lamb
2. They have put the blood on the door
3. They were to go inside and wait till morning

- iii. The Lord would passover that night **23** For the Lord will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and **when**

he seeth the blood upon the

lintel, and on the two side posts, **the Lord will pass over the door,**

and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite *you*.

1. The destroyer would go from house to house killing the firstborn
2. Animals and humans would die
3. If there was blood then the Lord would not let the destroyer in that house

d. In the middle of the actual instructions He reminds them to never forget **24 And ye shall observe this thing for an ordinance** to thee and to thy sons for ever. **25 And it shall come to pass, when ye be come to the land** which the Lord will give you, according as he hath promised, that **ye shall keep this service.**

- i. I will get you out of here
- ii. I will prove my power

iii. Now don't you forget it

e. Use this to teach your children of my greatness **26** And it shall come to pass, when your children shall say unto you, **What mean ye by this service?** **27**

That ye shall say, **It is the sacrifice**

of the Lord's passover, who

passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Egyptians, and delivered our houses.

And the people bowed the head and worshipped. **28** And the children of Israel went away, and did as the Lord had commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they.

i. They will ask why you do things at church the way you do them

ii. You should take every opportunity to explain to them the why

iii. Tell them who He is

iv. Tell them what He did

v. Tell them what He can do for them

f. God has made provision for His people to protect them.

- i. They can be saved if they choose to believe Him and obey
- ii. They must act on what they know
- g. God has made provision for us today in what Jesus did on the cross of Calvary
- h. Just like we see here that God takes time to tell them to remember we see Jesus before He dies do the same thing with His apostles

3. Now God makes His move on the unbelievers **29** And it came to pass, that **at midnight the Lord smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt,** from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that *was* in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle.

- a. At midnight God started
- b. From the first born of Pharaoh himself to the firstborn of the animals
- c. Children were dying every where **30** And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the

Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt; **for *there was not a house where *there was not one dead.****

- d. Pharaoh wants Moses and Aaron to get their people out of his land
- e. This time they can all go, children, wives, livestock, everything
- f. The Egyptians realize that they are all dead men **33 And the Egyptians were urgent upon the people, that they might send them out of the land in haste; for they said, *We be all dead men.***
- g. The Egyptians gave the Israelites everything that they needed if they would just leave. The Israelites stripped Egypt of her wealth
- h. Death is still moving and men and women are still dying and going to Hell
- i. There is still a way to be saved.
- j. We must share the message and urge people to come to Christ

4. The mixed multitude goes along **38 And a mixed multitude** went up **also** with them; and flocks, and herds, *even very much cattle.*
- a. People of different ethnic backgrounds go along
 - b. The problem isn't their race or ethnicity but their faith
 - c. It appears that they go along looking for what they can get
 - d. There is death in Egypt and life with the Israelites
 - e. Possibly some believed but later this mixed multitude will cause trouble **Numbers 11:4 And the mixt multitude that was among them fell a lusting: and the children of Israel also wept again, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat?**
 - f. They could become one with Israel but it meant leaving who they were and becoming one with God's people
 - g. There are still people who come to church, get involved in religion but never have truly believed from the heart
 - h. They damage the church and its work. They are here for what they can get not because they love Jesus and want to serve Him.

5. One law for all **49 One law** shall be to him that is homeborn, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you.
- a. No stranger or foreigner was to eat the passover **43** And the Lord said unto Moses and Aaron, *This is the ordinance of the passover: **There shall no stranger eat thereof:***
 - b. If a servant had been paid for and then circumcise he could eat, be part of the family **44** But every man's servant that is **bought for money, when thou hast circumcised him,** then shall he eat thereof.
 - c. If they were just there temporarily or passing through then this ordinance wasn't for them **45** A foreigner and an hired servant shall not eat thereof.
 - d. The sacrifice was not to be taken out of the house nor a bone broken **46** **In one house shall it be eaten;** thou shalt not carry forth ought of the flesh abroad out of the house; **neither shall ye break a bone thereof.**
 - i. This is more than just a meal
 - ii. It represents Jesus dying on the cross
 - iii. Not a bone of His was broken
 - iv. What He did is never to be taken lightly

- e. The feast, the ordinance was not optional. If you are in then you are all the way in 47 **All the congregation of Israel shall keep it.**
- f. Others could be welcomed to the feast but would first have to be one that believed and obeyed 48 **And when a stranger shall sojourn with thee, and will keep the passover to the Lord, let all his males be circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it; and he shall be as one that is born in the land:** for no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof.
- g. They were to treat all alike. The obedient could eat. The disobedient could not
- h. There were no second class citizens and there were no exceptions made
- i. You either got circumcised or you were not invited
 - ii. If you did decide to be circumcised, leave who you were and join the jews, then you were more than welcome
- i. Today we need to learn that we never lower the truth to get more members.

- i. All are welcome but they must come according to what He has said that He expects
- ii. There is one law for all
- iii. You must realize you have sinned and turn to Jesus