

together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup> by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

### III. Have you Been Born Again?

#### Matthew 7:13-14

<sup>13</sup> “Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. <sup>14</sup> For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.

#### Matthew 5:3-11

“poor in spirit”

“mourn”

“meek”

“hunger and thirst for righteousness”

“merciful”

“pure in heart”

“peacemakers”

“persecuted for righteousness’ sake”

“persecute ...on my account”

Exodus 11:1-13:16

*How God Executes Justice and Shows Mercy*

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Sermon Outline

Notes

### I. Introduction

A. The Purpose is to Proclaim

#### Exodus 9:15-16

<sup>15</sup> For by now I could have put out my hand and struck you and your people with pestilence, and you would have been cut off from the earth. <sup>16</sup> But for this purpose I have raised you up, to show you my power, so that my name may be proclaimed in all the earth.

B. The Blood of the Lamb (1 Cor. 5:7; Jn. 1:29)

#### Isaiah 53:4-8

<sup>4</sup> Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

<sup>5</sup> But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed. <sup>6</sup> All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

<sup>7</sup> He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth. <sup>8</sup> By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people?

#### 1 Peter 1:18b-19

...you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, <sup>19</sup> but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

**Exodus 12:46**

It shall be eaten in one house; you shall not take any of the flesh outside the house, and *you shall not break any of its bones.*

**John 19:36**

For these things took place that the Scripture might be fulfilled: “*Not one of his bones will be broken.*”

- C. Why Blood? – Righteous Mercy (Rom. 3:26; Matt. 26:39)

**Key Idea**

*The death we owe God is the death that Jesus paid!*

**II. The Just Wrath of God**

- A. The Shadow

**Exodus 12:29-30**

<sup>29</sup> At midnight the LORD struck down 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 the livestock. <sup>30</sup> 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 someone was not dead. (Exodus 12:12 – Judge gods)

- B. The Reality

**Revelation 21:8**

But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the *lake that burns with fire and sulfur*, which is the second death.”

**Isaiah 66:23-24**

<sup>23</sup> From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the Lord. (Mark 9:48 – cites v. 24)

<sup>24</sup> “And they shall go out and look on the dead bodies of the men who have rebelled against me. For *their worm shall not die, their fire shall not be quenched*, and they shall be an abhorrence to all flesh.”

**III. The Just Mercy of God**

- A. The Blood of the Lamb (12:13)
- B. The Identification with the Lamb (12:3-6)
- C. Who May Eat the Lamb?

**Exodus 12:43-49**

<sup>43</sup> And the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, “This is the statute of the Passover: no foreigner shall eat of it, <sup>44</sup> but every slave that is bought for money may eat of it *after you have circumcised him*. <sup>45</sup> No foreigner or hired servant may eat of it. ... <sup>47</sup> All the congregation of Israel shall keep it. <sup>48</sup> If a stranger shall sojourn with you and would keep the Passover to the LORD, *let all his males be circumcised*. Then he may come near and keep it; he shall be as a native of the land. But no uncircumcised person shall eat of it. <sup>49</sup> There shall be one law for the native and for the stranger who sojourns among you.”

**Colossians 2:8-14**

<sup>8</sup> See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup> For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup> and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. <sup>11</sup> In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, <sup>12</sup> having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup> And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive