

## QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. What are some characteristics of the Passover lamb?
2. What characteristics of the Passover lamb are found in Jesus?
3. What connection exists between the Passover feast and the Lord's supper?
4. Give several reasons to prove the answer to questions #3. See Luke 22:17-20 and 1 Corinthians 11:23-26.

### SUMMARY:

Just as God provided a means for those who would acknowledge and obey Him to escape the hand of the death angel, He provides a way of escape from the spiritual death which is the lot of all men. Christ came to earth to live a sinless life that He might fulfill the need for a lamb without blemish. No other means was or is available to reconcile sinful man to a righteous God.

Just as was the case with the houses of the children of Israel in the land of Goshen, it is entirely up to us whether or not we choose to apply the blood. And just as certainly, the angel of the second death will pass and many will be doomed to an eternity apart from God in a place of intense discomfort.

God desired to bring His people into a better land, one of milk and honey. Today, He desires to bring man into a better relationship, one of spiritual milk and honey. Is not this the best choice?

### NOTES:

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[SoF:4] We believe that Jesus Christ is God incarnate, born of a virgin, and lived a sinless life. He died on the cross for us. His shed blood is the atonement for our sins..

## APOSTOLIC CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible Lesson #2

April 10, 2022

Second Quarter

### CHRIST, OUR PASSOVER [SoF:4]

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**LESSON TEXT:** Exodus 12:1-36; 1 Corinthians 5:7

**LESSON SETTING:** The Land of Goshen in Egypt at the time of the tenth plague.

**TIME:** About 1491 B.C.

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- I. THE FIRST PASSOVER.** Exodus 12:1-28
  - A. A Male Lamb (vs. 3,5)
    1. Of the First Year (vs. 5)
    2. Without Blemish (vs. 5)
    3. Blood Shed (vs. 7)
  - B. To Be a Memorial. (vs. 14) Numbers 9:5, 10-11
  - C. To Be Observed Forever. (vs. 24) Exodus 13:10; Numbers 9:13
- II. THE LAST PLAGUE.** Exodus 12:29-36
  - A. Judgment against Egyptian gods. Exodus 12:12
  - B. First Born of Man Slain. (vs. 29)
  - C. Firstborn of Cattle Slain. (vs. 29)
- III. CHRIST OUR PASSOVER.** 1 Corinthians 5:7
  - A. The Passover Lamb. (vs. 7) Isaiah 53:7; 1 Peter 1:19
  - B. The Lamb of God. John 1:29; Revelation 7:9; 15:3

**GOLDEN TEXT:** *AND ALMOST ALL THINGS ARE BY THE LAW PURGED WITH BLOOD; AND WITHOUT THE SHEDDING OF BLOOD IS NO REMISSION.* Hebrews 9:22

**NEXT SUNDAY'S LESSON:** Matthew 28:1-10

**SUPPLEMENTAL REFERENCES:** Job 19:22-26; Psalm 16:1-11

**QUARTERLY THEME:** Journeys of Israel

**TOPIC:** CHRIST, THE RISEN MASTER

**INTRODUCTION:**

He was born to die! “The Lamb slain from the foundation of the world” (Rev. 13:8). We will be studying the Passover in the next lesson, but consider that we would still be having to observe that Passover ceremony year after year if Christ had not risen. But His resurrection makes His sacrifice valid once and forever for all men of faith.

Christ's resurrection is the outstanding event in the history of the Christian religion. It is significant to note that no other great religion can claim that its founder is still alive.

Of course, other resurrections have certainly occurred, for Christ had raised several from the dead. But no man raised *Christ* from the dead; He came forth from the tomb without human intervention. This was a glorious surprise, even to His most intimate relatives and friends. Now, because He lives, we shall live also.

**CENTRAL TRUTH:** The best news mankind ever heard came from a graveyard.

**GOLDEN TEXT:** *HE IS NOT HERE: FOR HE IS RISEN, AS HE SAID*

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Matthew 28:6

This is the joyous, angelic declaration of victory over death. This text contains three statements. First, it declares that Jesus “is not here.” He had been placed there in the tomb three days before, but He is not there now. A dead body has no power to move itself, of course. So, the absence of His body was an awakening and startling fact.

The next statement is a positive declaration: For “He is risen”—not stolen away as supposed by some. He moved Himself away. Living bodies do not remain in tombs. Jesus had returned from His descent into the nether world. He had eternally risen, never to descend to that depth again.

The third declaration is the fulfillment of a promise: “as He said.” His promise to return and catch us away in the rapture (whether living or dead) is just as sure to be fulfilled as His promise of His own resurrection. Jesus made Death a defeated foe.

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF April 11 – 17**

- M. Resurrection Prophecy. Matthew 16:13-23
- T. Resurrection Opposed. Matthew 27:57-66
- W. \*Christ, the Risen Master. Matthew 28:1-10
- T. Resurrection Commission. Matthew 28:11-20
- F. Resurrection Living. Ephesians 2:1-10
- S. Resurrection Power. Acts 1:1-14
- S. Resurrection Peace. John 20:19-31

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