

Jesus Was the Passover Lamb

The Passover lamb was not chosen at random. It had to be spotless: without blemish and without flaw. It had to be one year old, in the fullness of its strength. And it had to be a male. In Hebrew, the word *male* is more than just gender; the root of the word means *remembrance, record, recounting*. The lamb carried more than just life; it carried memory, history, it was a representation of the household it would cover.

So when the Passover lamb was slain, it wasn't just its blood that marked the doorposts: it was the record, the remembrance, the guilt... gone... gone from sight.

Jesus was that Lamb. *Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us*. And in His death, the memory of sin died with Him. The record of our shame was nailed to the cross. The accusations against us were silenced forever by the voice of His blood. What once stood as a testimony against us has been washed away, and God now says, *"I will remember their sins no more."*

The Lamb bore our remembrance and took it to the grave.

This was the covenant He promised long ago through the prophet Jeremiah: *"I will make a new covenant... I will put My law in their minds and write it on their hearts... and their sin I will remember no more."* No more sacrifice of bulls or goats. No more daily reminders of failure. One offering forever. One death for all.

And if God has forgotten our sins, what right have we to remember them? If the Lamb has carried the weight of guilt, why should we keep lifting it back onto our shoulders? The blood doesn't just cleanse our record in heaven; it's meant to cleanse our hearts on earth.

This is the glory of the cross: not just that we are forgiven, but that we are freed from the memory of sin; our own, and the sins of others.

So if we truly believe in the power of the Lamb, let us live as those who have been made new. Let us forgive as we have been forgiven. Let us remember no more, just as our Father remembers no more.

For to hold onto guilt, to harbor bitterness, is to deny the full power of the Lamb's blood.

Mercy is the fruit of remembrance erased.

In Jeremiah 31:31–34 *"Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah: not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to lead them*

out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the Lord. For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."

Exodus 12:3-5 "Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying: 'On the tenth of this month every man shall take for himself a lamb, according to the house of his father, a lamb for a household. And if the household is too small for the lamb, let him and his neighbor next to his house take it according to the number of the persons; according to each man's need you shall make your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats."

1 Corinthians 5:7 "Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us."

Hebrews 10:14-17 "For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified. But the Holy Spirit also witnesses to us; for after He had said before, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws into their hearts, and in their minds I will write them," then He adds, "Their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more."