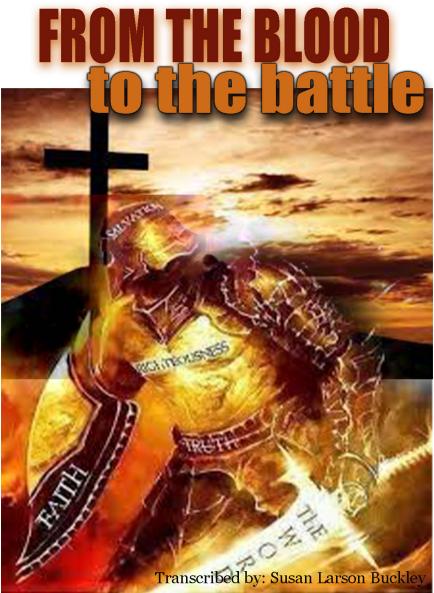


First Harvest Ministries Sermon Transcription Series: Shane Vaughn, Founder



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Exodus 12:15. Seven days you must eat unleavened bread. On the day before you must remove leaven from your houses. For whoever eats leavened bread from the first day through the seventh day of Yahweh's Feast of Unleavened Bread, that person will be cut off from Israel.

Immediately after the glorious evening of Passover, a night to be much remembered, the element of unleavened bread is what the next seven days of your life is all about. As one church body you will eat this unleavened bread on the day after Passover because it is a commandment: For seven days you must eat unleavened bread.

The Feast of Unleavened Bread begins when the sun goes down on the fifteenth day of the first month. Our Lord and Savior is spending His first night in the grave on this night and we are to watch and wait with Him as He spends His first night in the grave during the Feast of Unleavened Bread.

FOR WHOEVER EATS LEAVENED BREAD FROM THE FIRST DAY THROUGH THE SEVENTH DAY, THAT PERSON WILL BE CUT OFF FROM ISRAEL: That's a pretty serious thing! *The soul who eats a drop of leavened bread, I'll cut him off*!

My question before I read the next verse is this: Can you show me one scripture that ever ended that command? Yahweh said He would cut your soul off if you eat leavened bread for the next seven days! When did that God change? NEVER!

Let's continue on, verse by verse, to learn more about what Yahweh commands for this feast.

Exodus 12:16 On the first day there shall be a Holy Convocation, and on the seventh day, there Shall be a Holy Convocation for you. No manner of work shall be done of these days; except that which everyone must eat – that only may be done by you.

On the first day of the celebration of unleavened bread there shall be a Holy Convocation, a sacred assembly of the saints of Zion. Does that sink into you that in all the people of the world, we are one of the few assemblies doing what Yahweh said to do? And on the Seventh day of this annual seven day festival there is to be another church service and no manner of work other than that for eating, will be done.

Exodus 12:17 "And you must observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread, for it was on this very Day that I brought your divisions out of Egypt; therefore, you shall observe this day throughout Your generations by an ordinance forever."

Does it say you must observe this commandment of Yah-weh until Yahshua replaces it? I just heard a man that I love preach that we don't have to do that anymore because we are not under the Law. That is not Scripture. The last command I get is: Do it Forever until such a time as they are finally fulfilled at the end of the age.

I am often asked where in the New Testament does it command us to keep this Feast. Let's read it for ourselves; it's been in your Bible this whole time.

1 Corinthians 5:8 Therefore, LET US "KEEP THE FEAST, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Therefore let us, the New Testament Church, keep the Feast! And Paul says what Feast he is talking about: unleavened bread. Paul in the New Testament says, "Let us keep the Feast!"

Then he goes on to explain the meaning of this feast. **NONE OF THE FEASTS HAVE EVER BEEN FULFILLED BY YAHS- HUA MESSIAH.** For many of you, that goes against everything you ever believed. I want to show you how even the Feast of Unleavened Bread has not been fulfilled. When will this Feast be fulfilled? Whenever you accomplish what this Feast represents. The Feast of Unleavened Bread is all about overcoming sin. The moment you overcome sin, it's fulfilled. Until then, we keep the Feast. We keep it every year.

There's a reason that Passover lasts for one day but this Feast lasts for seven days. It seems to me that Yahweh is more focused on the Feast of Unleavened Bread than He is the Blood of Jesus Christ, Yahshua Messiah. To explain this, I want to preach to you: From the Blood to the Battle.

Remember Brothers and Sisters, if you are not careful, you will believe the modern day version of Christianity that is so focused on the Blood of Jesus Christ, and I thank Yahweh for it, but if you are not careful, you will make the mistake of focusing more on the Blood than the Battle against sin, every day of your life!

We know that Yahweh is more focused on the Battle, because the Feast of Unleavened Bread is all about a Battle. The Christian Church is focused on the Blood, but Yahweh says: Let's talk about the Blood for one day and once you take the Blood and come to Mount Calvary, I'm going to take you off of that mountain and send you to Mount Zion and that's where the Battle begins!

The Baptist Church and most all of the Protestant churches have pitched their preaching tents at Mount Calvary. All the denominational churches are camped out at Mount Calvary, but Yahweh focused on it for One day and said there's going to come a time where you must move on from the Blood.

Paul described that as moving onto Perfection from the elementary principles of the Cross. You've got to leave His Cross and pick up your Cross. You've gotta go from the Blood to the Battle.

Everyone of you has an infection; it's called sin. Sin is rebellion to Yahweh. And Yahweh said for seven days, He wants you to put in your mouth what Yahweh wants to put inside of you: an unleavened life, represented by the physical to spiritual parallel of unleavened bread.

An unleavened life free from vanity and pride, free from sin that so easily corrupts us. The Apostle Paul said, "Inside of me there is no good thing." You need to know that deep inside of you there is a You that you don't want to meet. Inside of everyone there is a You that you aren't ready for. It was born in the cesspool of sin. It was born in the darkest pits of Hell. It's the You that lives inside of you. It is wretched and wicked and it will destroy your soul.

Someone reading this will make the mistake of thinking you are immune from sin because you took the Blood or were 'Saved'. If that were the case, Yahweh wouldn't tell you that for seven days, eat unleavened bread. You're not immune! You're not immune from the cesspool of sin! In every man there is an evil nature that grows inside of the unconverted you. There's a lurking in the cesspool of every man, woman, boy and girl! You make the mistake of thinking because you've got the Blood you don't have to fight the Battle. Some say, "We're covered by the Blood." No you're not! I'm going to show you what's covered by the Blood.

You may not like it, but I'm going to show you anyway!

## **Romans 3:25**

Whom Yahweh set forth as a sacrifice of atonement by His own blood, through the faith, to declare His righteousness for the remission of SINS THAT ARE PAST, through the forbearance of Yahweh;

The modern day Church thinks that the Blood heals what they did 'Today' or whatever sins they will commit tomorrow. According to the Apostle Paul, IT FORGIVES WHAT HAPPENED IN YOUR PAST, before you came to Mount Calvary. Yahweh's Word says if you willfully sin after coming to the knowledge of this truth, there's no more Blood for you; there's no more remission of your sin.

## Hebrews 10:26-27

For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,

But a certain fearful expectation of judgment, and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries.

Sin is the breaking of Yahweh's laws. You think because you are covered by the Blood you have some kind of secret bullet. You have to focus on going from a fat bread to a flat bread. That's not Yahweh's battle, that's your battle. From the Blood to the Battle!

The problem is the modern day Christian Church has got you parked out under the Blood covering while telling you there's no Battle and convincing you that because you've accepted the Blood that you're forgiven in advance of every day that you wake up.

According to the previous verse in Hebrews, if you wake

up without being unleavened in your life, there is no Blood covering for you; the Blood covering is for sins in your past, not your present. There's another scripture in Hebrews that's even worse.

## Hebrews 6:4-8 4

For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and have become partakers of the Holy Spirit,

5 And the righteous, having come to know that which is spoken by Yahweh, and the world to come, 6 If they shall fall away, it is impossible for them to be renewed to repentance again. They have rejected the Son of Yahweh, and therefore are alienated from Yahweh.

7 For the earth which drinks in the rain that often comes upon it, and produces vegetation useful for those by whom it is cultivated, receives blessings from Yahweh;

8 But that which bears thorns and briers is rejected and is near to being cursed, whose end is to be burned.

Every time we come into a continual practice of sin after coming to the Blood, that's taking Jesus Christ, Yahshua Messiah, and crucifying Him all over again; making a mockery out of the Blood. When you take the Blood without going into the Battle, you have made a mockery out of the Blood of Yahshua:

That's the truth whether you like it or not. We've been taught that all you have to do is accept Jesus Christ. Yahweh said to ACCEPT THE UNLEAVENED BREAD; take a bite of it every single day for seven days. It's your job to take the unleavened

bread into your life. It's your job to eat it. It's your job to say, "I'm thankful for the Blood but now I'm ready for the Battle against my flesh."

The Christian Church is guilty of a crime and I'm bringing an indictment against that Church for committing that crime. It's a crime of boasting about the Blood while ignoring the Battle.

I love the Blood. I thank Yahweh for the Blood. I thank Him so much for it that I'm willing to go to the Battle because of It. We're guilty of clinging to Mount Calvary without running to Mount Zion; that's the Battle. Yahweh said to drink the blood and immediately start the change; the change from that creature that lives inside of you, that leavened creature that likes to puff up and blow up and be bigger than what Yahweh's plans are for your life.

Yahweh said He would give you a blood covering and forgiveness of your life that was yesterday, but tomorrow morning you've got to wake up and get to the battle of becoming an unleavened, set apart, sanctified life.

Learning to fight the Battle goes against everything we've been taught. Why do you think the Christian Church doesn't keep the Feast of Unleavened Bread? They don't want to talk about these seven days; they just want to talk about the Blood. If you think for one moment I don't love the Blood, you're missing the point: Do not boast! You make a mistake whenever you boast about your immunity to sin.

When Covid came we all preached that you have an immunity system. That immunity system should have protected us from Covid, but it didn't protect many of you. The immunity was gone because many had faith in an immune system that they had never worked to build up and protect.

You are not free unless you fight for it. The Blood didn't make you free; It redeemed you. You are going to have to work for it by eating the unleavened bread every day of your life. You must deal with sin. You are in a battle for your soul!

The Blood did its job: It redeemed me from sins from my past. Now I'm in a battle for my soul; I'm in a battle for ME. Your battle is not with the Devil; it's with You! You don't need deliverance from a Devil. You need deliverance from YOU. The Devil has never made a choice for you. So who are you really bound by? The Flesh! Everyone of you! The Blood of Yahshua does not get rid of your flesh.

I know it isn't easy to hear that Calvary isn't the cure for your flesh; that unleavened bread is the cure. Why do you think we get Believers to the altar one day, baptized the next day and a month later they are back into sin? Because nobody told them about unleavened bread. I can't emphasize it too much: Blood isn't enough; you have to go to the Battle.

The Blood is not the final cure for you; it's the cure for the sins in your past. Anything you've ever done your whole life, the moment you confess it to the Blood, it doesn't exist anymore. In the morning when you wake up after that confession, the Blood is done. If anything else happens in your life now, it's because you decided to make it happen. That's what getting unleavened bread is all about. It's to take you from the Blood to the Battle.

EVERY DAY YOU MUST DECIDE TO BE AN OVERCOMER. The Blood doesn't decide that for you. Being saved won't deliver you. Being baptized in His name won't deliver you. The Blood won't deliver you. It will Redeem you. Jesus paid the price but you have to go to battle for your deliverance every day of your life!

Don't boast about your immunity if you aren't taking your vitamins. Don't say, "I'm immune Brother Vaughn; I'm covered in the Blood." No! You're covered in You and you have got to get uncovered. That's called unleavened bread: getting rid of You. Yahweh is calling His people to go from the Blood to the Battle.

The Feast of Unleavened Bread is teaching you about the Battle. There's no more need for the blood; you've dealt with that. You've been washed Clean but will you remain Clean? Now it's up to you. Will you wash yourself with the Word of Yahweh every day? Yahweh has called me to this ministry to prepare a Bride. She's ironed out the wrinkles; She went to the Battle. Let me tell you what else is not going to deliver you: a hand on you and hitting the floor isn't going to deliver you. That's a cop-out. The Battle is every day of your life.

That's what this Feast is all about. It's not up to Yahweh to go to battle; it's up to You. If you go to battle, He'll join in the battle with you and give you power for that battle. Jesus did lay hands on people and deliver them, but the very next day those same demons came back to those people as they went looking for a house clean and swept so they could bring their cousins back in with them. Deliverance is not an event; it is a battle.

It's not a one time thing; it's to wake up every day and do the right thing every day of your life. So often I hear people say: I don't understand why I'm still struggling; I got delivered. No, you didn't. You were set free for a moment; that's not deliverance. Deliverance is when you arrive at where you're going. Yahweh wants to deliver His people. He wants to deliver every single one of you. He wants you to get that guile out of your mouth. He wants you to get delivered from You and He gives you the power to do it. If you get in His Word each morning, He'll send you power to battle sin.

There's weapons in this battle! You're not fighting without a weapon. You've got power in Yahweh's Word! People don't understand consistent deliverance. You get delivered today and tomorrow you'll be ten times worse because the demons get all their cousins to join forces with them against you. You might have been an alcoholic drinking three times a day and now you'll be drinking ten times a day because you thought a preacher could just lay hands on you and deliver you.

You need to be under a preacher who can teach you how to fight every day; how to be in the Word of Yahweh every day and fight for deliverance. When you wake up each morning, you're going to have the same aggravating husband and same negative people around you that you had before being baptized. You need the weapons of war. You're going down and coming up clean but it is still a battle every day of your life.

I'm tired of seeing Yahweh's people deceived. We're preaching a pure message here. We're telling you the weapons of your warfare are real. You are not in this battle with just a hope and a prayer. You are in this battle with the weapons of Yahweh's Word and the weapons of the Holy Ghost.

Don't boast about your immunity system. Build it. You want to be immune from sin? Then every time sin comes knocking they can't hear a hello out of you. They've got to hear 'No Vacancy!' If you want to be free, it doesn't come easy. That's why Yahweh said that for seven days you shall eat unleavened bread. Every time you eat it I want you to taste it and I want you to say it doesn't taste good because this battle doesn't taste good; this battle where you have to face yourself in the mirror every day of your life. Lock your sinful self up today and bind yourself with Yahweh's Word! Tell yourself: I'm walking in deliverance today, walking in the Victory of the Battle.

Take one day to drink the Blood and thank Yahweh for it on Passover. Then wake up and gird your loins, get under the preaching of the Word of Yahweh, get involved with a congregation who will hold you accountable, and find a preacher who's not looking for your money and who is trying to get all in your business. Why? Because you need Weapons of War.

I'm warning you again to not boast about your immunity from sin because you're covered by the Blood. You better be in the battle or you'll fall to sin every time. Some of you may say, "Not me Brother Vaughn." You say that when you see the homosexual: "That's not me Brother Vaughn." When you see the lesbian: "That's not me Brother Vaughn." When you see Caitlin Jenner: "That's not me Brother Vaughn." Let me tell you something: Caitlin Jenner lives in every one of you! Oh, you thought his sin was worse than yours? Did you really deceive yourself to think that your lie wasn't as bad as his reconfiguration? You're sitting there boasting that you are immune from anything like that. I guarantee you that when Bruce Jenner was winning the World Olympics and he was on top of the world, if you had told him what was lurking inside of him, he'd have given the look that some of you are giving me right now: Not Me!

When you catch yourself beginning to think you are immune from sin, you better start waking up every day and fighting against it. You better look in the mirror and say, "I love Him but I hate you. You gotta go; I won't surrender to you today." Have you heard anyone say 'Love Yourself?

That's the words of Satan. Yourself is your enemy. You better love the God that lives in you and kill Yourself. That's the words of Satan: 'Love yourself'. How many of you have heard 'As long as you're happy'? That's a lie from Hell. Yahweh could care less if you're happy or not. He wants you holy. He never said in His Word, 'BE HAPPY'. He said, "Be holy as I'm holy because I promise you if you get holy, happiness

comes." Happiness is a result of holiness.

"I would never stoop that low Brother Vaughn. What do you think I am, an animal? I would not allow such depravity in my life." My question to you is do you remember Peter? Sitting at a table with the Lord and Yahshua said, "Somebody is going to betray me before the rooster crows three times." Peter said, "Not me!"

Peter said: '*Not Me*'. Peter was covered by the Blood but he lost the Battle. The next day something came out of Peter that he didn't even know was there and it wasn't the Devil. It was Peter. He may have been influenced but it was Peter who made the decision. He said '*Not Me*' and the next morning he's doing exactly what he said he'd never do.

How many of you can look back over your life and see some things you did that you had said *there's no way I would ever do that*; Not me? You are not immune from sin. Peter boasted of his immunity: I'm a Torah observer; I wear a Tallit. A Tallit is not holy. It's a piece of cloth. What makes it holy is when you become what it reminds you of; holy; when you take the commandments and apply them to your life. I love the Tallit. I wear the Tallit. The writing on it is a commandment from Yahweh to live holy.

My wedding ring does not make me married. I am married if I take it off. It represents what I want to become: in eternal love with my wife, so when I look at the ring I become the ring. You and I are in the First Harvest Church by the Grace of Yahweh. If you are still here where others have backslid and left, it's because you worked on your immunity.

Do you know why Brother and Sister Kendrick are still here? Morning prayer every morning: working on that immunity. There's things you can do to win the battle. Don't brag; BUILD YOUR IMMUNITY.

Go down on your knees and tell Yahweh that you can't win the battle without His help. I'm sick of the word 'SAVED'. There's not one of you in this room who is saved. My Bible says that according to Yahweh's Word, HE THAT ENDURETH TO THE END; he that wins the battle over the flesh; he that conquerors SHALL BE SAVED. God wants you sanctified. That's the Battle, the battle that the Christian Church doesn't talk about. Church people think they're immune to depravity but there's an infection inside of you.

I love it when people say, "Jesus is my Sabbath; He is my rest." I say, "Evidently you didn't meet the same Jesus that I did. I was pretty much at rest before I met Jesus. There wasn't a battle. The Devil said 'Jump' and I said, "How High?" I didn't say, "Oh, I better not." I was at rest with My slave master!

But when I received the Holy Ghost I had a new Master trying to move out the other master. I got into a War that day: From the Blood to the Battle. Every day it's a war. I wake up and battle that old Shane Vaughn who served three years in prison for doing things 'My Way'. He's STILL IN THERE, IN SOLITARY CONFINEMENT, AND I'M HOLDING HIM DOWN THERE. I WON'T LET HIM BACK OUT.

I'm going to win this battle every day of my life. Hallelujah! You, too, are going to win. You need to go to your mirror every day when you brush your teeth and say, "I don't like you, but I like what Yahweh's plans are for me. I'm going to put you down today; you aren't coming out."

When I feel like cussing somebody out, you're not coming out. I'm going to win." Paul says, "I buffet this flesh." That means he spars with his flesh. The minute you think you're too good for this fight because YOU'RE SAVED is the minute you've lost the battle.

AS LONG AS YOU'RE STILL TRYING, YOU'RE STILL IN THE BATTLE.

You have won if you are still fighting. Every day you have to work to be free. You have weapons: you have our church body praying for you. I know when people are about to lose the battle.

- The minute you aren't sitting in church.
- The minute you're telling your pastor you are going to leave the classroom or choir.
- The minute you start coming to the pastor with complaints. The minute you don't show up for a prayer meeting anymore.

These are warning signs. You have to make a conscious choice every day to obey Yahweh and the only way you can make that choice is to be in Daily Prayer and the Word. The minute you start to lose those things you're going down.

Do you know what happens when someone goes down? First of all, it's going to be everyone else's fault. Then they're going to run to get someone to deliver them again. Every time you go back to get delivered, there's no guarantee you're going to be able to get all those demons out. If you want to be delivered, walk in holiness every day of your life.

The Christian church tells you that *God knows you can't* win the battle against sin and that's okay because Jesus' blood covers you and God loves you anyway. The Christian Church gives you a license to sin. This is deceit!

The sweet psalmist of Israel – David – the one who wrote the 23rd Psalm, had a murderer inside of him: The man who wrote that blessed phrase *He leads you beside the still waters*, had a murderer living in him.

That's what happens when you think you are immune to

sin because you love the Lord and He knows your heart.

THE SEVEN DAYS WHEN YOU ARE EATING THIS BREAD YOU ARE EATING A MESSAGE. That message is to FIGHT! You have what it takes to win. You have the Blood, the Brethren, Prayer, and the Word.

Judgment begins in the House of the Lord. Not condemnation; Judgment. At First Harvest Ministries we look out for each other: "Something isn't right. Let me check on them." Our love for each other obligates us to care for each other: to get in your business. We don't condemn you but we do judge you and hold you accountable. The House of Israel is the house of 'Hope' where you will find your strength. It is beautiful. Swallow your pride and become this unleavened bread. When you feel the surge in your struggle with sin, call someone. You have to fight it. You have to let Yahweh take out your Pride.

Yahweh's been working on you. Many of you have been forsaken by family and churches and friends, but you can make it. Don't be deceived that you are immune. Sin will turn the wisest man into a fool. Ask Solomon. He wound up a fool because he allowed women in his life which turned him away from Yahweh. When you start leaving the real Church – the House of Israel –when you start just pulling away, you lose one of your weapons, THE SACRED ASSEMBLY IS ONE OF YOUR WEAPONS IN THIS BATTLE FOR YOUR DESTINY.

Yahweh is calling you to the Battle! The battle gets easier once you learn how to INCREASE YOUR IMMUNITY. Eat unleavened bread with us every day for seven days during the Feast of Unleavened Bread. We are your Family, your Congregation; we love you and we are all praying for you to make it.