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The Passover

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Lesson Chapter: Exodus 12:1-14

Lesson Outline: (A) The time of the Passover:Exodus 12:1-2
(B) The selection of the Passover Lamb:Exodus 12:3-5
(C) The sacrifice of the Passover Lamb:Exodus 12:6-11
(D) The details of the Passover Event:Exodus 12:12-13
(E) The Institution of the Feast:Exodus 12:14

The Plagues: Study Chapters: Exodus 7:14 thru 11:4-5

Theme: Preparation for Deliverance

Introduction to the Lesson Text

Is there Hardship in following God? Sometimes people are urged to accept Christ with the belief that, "Christ will solve our problems" but Christ didn't promise to solve our problems. In fact, he repeatedly warned "Us" to consider the "COST" of following Him (Luke 14:28). The invitation to the disciples to follow Jesus, lays out the cost of following "Him". How can you follow? By DENYING yourself and taking up your "CROSS" (Mark 8:34). Exodus 1:8-22 gives us a case study of the mindset of Pharaoh. It outlines his reasons for killing new born baby boys as well as, enslaving, and persecuting God's people. All of this was purely strategic on Pharaoh's part because Pharaoh was worried, and afraid that the Hebrews would someday join forces with his enemies, and come against him, and the Egyptian people. He had this fear because the Hebrew population grew to over two millions Hebrews while in Egypt. Later, in Exodus Chapter 5, Moses and Aaron rallied, and encouraged the people of God, giving them hope that God would soon rescue them from the hands of Pharaoh. As we see throughout the history of the Bible, when God's Kingdom clashes with God's enemies, there is often some *Hardship* towards God's people. In Exodus Chapter 12, the Israelite's Passover is a reminder of God's miraculous deliverance of His people from the bondage of death while in Egypt. It also points ahead to the deliverance from the bondage of death in sin through Jesus Christ.

QUESTIONS

- (1) What were the 10 plagues in Egypt: Exodus 7:14 thru 11:4-5
- (2) What two plagues did God allow to be duplicated by Pharaoh's magicians and why?
- (3) What statement did Pharaoh's magicians make concerning the third plague and why?
- (4) Why did God choose these particular 10 plagues to deliver the Israelites from Egypt?

- (5) What was God's main purpose and reason for the plagues He brought on Pharaoh and the Egyptians?
- (6) While being in bondage in Egypt for over 400 years what was the Israelite's main enemy? Why?
- (7) Why did God revise Israel's calendar? What was the purpose?
- (8) What is the "NAME" of the "MONTH" when God saved and delivered the Israelites from Egypt? And as we know it today, what is that period of time in history called?
- (9) When Jesus Christ accomplished reconciling mankind back to God from the "CROSS", what were the Jews preparing for during the week of Jesus crucifixion? What month? (*See John 19:31-33 NLT version*)
- (10) What was the "FIRST" thing the Israelites had to do in preparation for the Passover before their 3-day Journey begin? What was the date that the preparation started?
- (11) Why was it crucial that the Passover lamb be without blemish?
- (12) What was the purpose of bitter herbs and why did unleavened bread have to be baked without yeast?
- (13) Why was the lamb to be roasted only and with all its internal organs still placed inside of the animal?
- (14) What four or at least three things did the lamb (*Exodus 12:5-7; 13*) have in common with the Lamb of God (Jesus Christ)?
- (15) When God revised the Israelites calendar, what was God pointing to concerning the future of mankind?
- (16) Why did God give instructions to Israelites for only one plague out of the 10-plagues He used? Which one? Why?