

# Memorials In The Bible - Exodus 3:13-15

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## Introduction:

Tomorrow is "Memorial Day" a day designed to bring about the remembrance of those that have died in battle. We do things to keep the memory of certain people or events from being forgotten. In Tula, Russia they had numerous monuments to remember the soldiers that protected the city from Hitler's army. People set up scholarships to remember someone, plant trees, etc. We have holidays, or special events. We want to look at some memorials in the Bible.

### I) The Names --God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob

#### A. God would identify himself to the children of Israel this way.

1. This would mean something to the Jews but not the gentiles
2. They would remember His promises to the Patriarchs - land of Canaan, a lineage, and the seed that would bless all the nations.

#### B) This used in the New Testament

1. Jesus used this designation when answering the Sadducees question concerning the resurrection, *Matthew 22.32*
2. Major point to the Jews was they were still serving the same God.

- a. God intended to fulfill the Law of Moses and establish a New Covenant with Israel. *Jeremiah 31.31-32.*
- b. God was fulfilling His promises to them through Jesus.
3. Peter used this in *Acts 3.13* to connect Jesus to the Son of the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

**C) Christian, *Acts 11.26***

1. A new name designating one as being a disciple of Christ
2. Prophesied in the Old Testament, *Isaiah 62.2*

**II) A Supper -- The Passover, *Exodus 12.14***

**A) God passed over Israel and He passed through Egypt killing the first born.**

1. Time of observation, 1st month, 10th day.
2. One-year old male lamb without blemish was to be killed, not a bone broken.
3. Unleavened bread and bitter herbs to remember their quick exodus from Egypt and the food they ate in Egypt. *V. 8*
4. This would be observed each year.
5. Serve as a reminder and opportunity to teach their children what happened on the first Passover.

**B) The Lord's Supper**

1. Comprised of unleavened bread and fruit of the vine, *Matthew 26.*

2. The Unleavened bread is the body of Christ sacrificed on the cross for our sins
3. The fruit of the vine is His blood shed on the cross for our sins.
4. Not a bone was broken.
5. We do this in remembrance and also looking forward to His coming again, *1 Corinthians 11.25-26.*
6. Not limited by space or place.
7. Observed the first day of the week, *Acts 20.7.*

**III) A Promise by God to Destroy the Amalekites, *Exodus 17.***

**A) As Israel left Egypt and headed toward Canaan, Amalek attacked them.**

1. This battle was determined by Moses keeping his arms up, *vv. 11-12*
2. God wanted them to write down His punishment for Amalek, *v. 14*
3. King Saul was to totally destroy Amalek but he did not, *1 Samuel 15.2, 11a.*
4. Hezekiah finally destroyed all the Amalekites, *1 Chron. 4.43*

**B) God promises to punish the disobedient today**

1. God is not slack concerning His punishment for a day is as a thousand years and a thousand years as a day. *2 Peter 3.8-11*
2. God promised to punish those that do not know and do not obey Christ, *2 Thess. 1.8-9*

3. He promises to punish those that trod under foot the blood of Jesus, *Hebrews 11.23-31*

#### IV) A Condition --Two Stones with 12 Names

##### A) The priest was to wear the names of the tribes of Israel, *Exodus 28.9-12, esp. 12*

1. The High Priest was to wear this as He entered the Holiest of Holies, *v. 29*
2. Why? This was a covenant relationship with God. They were the only ones in this relationship.
3. To approach God one has to be in the right relationship with Him.
  - a. A Jew, tribe of Levi, Priest, High Priest
  - b. One had to be clothed the right way
  - c. One had to approach at the right time
  - d. One had to be in the right condition, free of sin

##### B) Today we have a covenant relationship with God

1. We are brought near by the blood of Christ, *Ephesians 2.13*
2. We are His royal priesthood; members of a new covenant.
3. To approach God one has to be in the right relationship with Him
  - a. A child of God, God's household, royal priest
  - b. Clothed in righteousness

- c. Now is the right time, we have continual access to the Father
- d. In the right condition, free of sin

**Conclusion:**

God gave Israel these Memorials to remind them and for their benefit. He knew what would happen if they forgot all that He did for them and the special relationship they had with Him. The same goes for us today. We must remember what Jesus did for us and why. We must remember how God has blessed us and what He demands. We must remember the past so as to look forward to the future. Are you looking forward to heaven? *Ephesians 2.19-22*, have you been sanctified by the blood of Christ in baptism? If not why not now? am glad and rejoice that God is not a man and so should you. Forgiveness is real and can be yours and mine. Jesus died for your sins that you might be forgiven. Won't you believe in Him and repent and be baptized. Won't you do it right now?