

Cross references and additional connections: Look these up!

- ❑ Unleavened Bread
 - ❑ 1 Cor 5:7
- ❑ God will provide the Lamb
 - ❑ Genesis 22:7-8
- ❑ The Lamb
 - ❑ John 1:29
- ❑ Eternal Blood of the Lamb
 - ❑ 1 Pet 1:18-19

Questions for reflection:

- ❖ How do the events of the passover mirror Jesus' sacrifice?
- ❖ There are many people who are upset with the way churches are set up/being run who decide that they would prefer to not be in community with other believers. We know that we are *supposed* to gather together, but why? Why do you think it is important for us to gather "together" as a church?
- ❖ Why did God want his people to celebrate the Passover? How do/should we celebrate the Passover now?

Exodus Walkthrough



Passover

Looking Back: Sinai

What parallels do you see between Passover and Jesus' work?:

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Looking Forward: Mark 11:12-26

Loving God with your actions

- ❑ We know that the passover was important to the Jewish people.
 - ❑ List three ways that it still has significance for us today.
- ❑ The blood of the lamb on the doorpost meant salvation for those in the house. How can we take specific steps to show that Jesus' blood is the source of our salvation.
- ❑ What act of love did Jesus require the people to do the night of the passover? How is that act still required of us, today?
 - ❑ Trust and obey

Loving God with your heart

- ❑ Have you ever experienced someone standing in the gap for you, like paying a bill that was yours, or taking the blame for something you did?
 - ❑ Thank God for that person or persons. If possible, tell them (again) that you are grateful for their generosity toward you.
- ❑ Read through Isaiah 53 aloud slowly.
 - ❑ Count how many times/ways he stood between us and what we deserved.
- ❑ Confess your sins, and partake of communion.

Loving God with your mind

- Just like the Israelites needed a reminder of what God did for them at Passover, so we too need to be reminded of Christ's sacrifice. What things do we do, and what things can we be doing to help us remember Christ's sacrifice?

- What leaven currently exists in your life, how can you replace it with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth? (1Cor. 5:6-8)

Want to look deeper?

- Look at these passages of God standing in the gap. The Fall (Gen. 3), Flood (Gen. 6-9), Abraham and Isaac (Gen. 22). Note the similarities to the Passover. List other places that you see God standing in the gap for His people?
- Spend some time looking at the elements of a traditional Passover Seder. What are some connections you see between this tradition and the New Covenant?
- Spend some time reflecting on how you view Communion. List out your thoughts on its purpose. What does it accomplish? Is it merely a symbolic reminder or does it do something else in our lives?
- What does the scripture teach us about the purpose and work of Communion?
- The word for "passover" in this passage is a difficult word to translate. It's used for physically passing over or by something. However, it can also be used as a "full stop," sometimes associated with a traditional Jewish dance. It can give the impression that God is stopped at the door- so the destroyer cannot enter into the house.