

Journey to Easter 2020

The Passover: Part one

Hey Beacon Hillers! This is an exciting chance for us all and you as a household to spend time in God's Word together instead of listening to me, Every Sunday I harp on about us all being the Church, the Body of Christ and how we ALL have our part to play. What a great opportunity for us to be the Church at home and in our community.

I encourage that you do your own study before you meet together as a household, go through these notes and write your own. God wants to speak to you.

Together as we look toward Easter. Let's look to Jesus, look to the cross. Let's journey together and discover what the Holy Spirit wants to reveal, remind, teach us as we journey to Easter.

The purpose of this message series is to take us through to Easter and how the Passover in the Old Testament is a shadow or type of when Jesus was crucified on the cross.

Tip: Make this work for your household – be creative, make it fun! For example: If you have kids: go through the message outline. Dress like the Israelites - dress up like you're going to go out somewhere, shoes, jackets... or go through this before you have dinner and your dinner can be your Passover feast.

(If you're brave enough – get some red washable paint. Paint it over your door frame outside).

What you will need

- Food
- Drink
- Dress like you're getting ready to go on a trip (optional)
- Red paint (optional)

(https://youtu.be/0uf-PgW7rqE)

Scripture: Exodus 12:1-30: The Passover. Watch the clip from the Bible Project: <u>Exodus</u>

Key verse: The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt. Exodus 12:13

Observation: What are your personal observations that you note from this reading? What was interesting in this passage? What did you learn?

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Example: Michael's observations:

1. Listen to God's warnings and instructions

This is after the 9 plagues have taken place and now the last plague is about to take place – the first born of all households will die, if they don't have the blood of the lamb over their doorposts.

Questions to think about:

- What are some ways God warns me?
- Can you think of an example where you felt God warn you about something and you listened/ didn't listen - what was the outcome?

2. Whatever the case, God will always provide a way

The lamb must be a year old, no defects, then must take care of them from the tenth day until the 14th day when it will be killed. Some of the blood was put around the doorframes of the houses.

- Can you think of a situation where God provided for you

3. Apply the blood

When God sees the blood, He will pass over the house and will experience no plague.

Your observations:			

Application: How can you apply this scripture to your life? What part of the scripture can you apply to your life? What will change if you do?

Example: Michael's application: God performed nine plagues but Pharaoh didn't listen. Sometimes God warns us again and again, either through His Word, through people, but we're stubborn and don't listen the first or the ninth time.

But God always provides a way out.

When God sees the blood, He will pass over your house. For us who believe in Jesus and His blood that covers us and our household, we can be rest assured, that any plague will pass over us.

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Your application:
Prayer : Ask God to give you a clear understanding of this scripture. Ask Him to help apply it to your life. Pray the scripture over your life.
Michael's: Dear Father, thank you for the blood of Jesus that not only covers my sins, but by your stripes we are healed. Thank you that no plague will come near us. Today as we remember the Passover, we remember that Jesus is the Passover lamb, and your blood was shed so we can be made whole, protected and blessed. I will not fear what is happening around me for you surround me with your peace and protection. Today I apply the blood of Jesus over my life, my family and loved ones. In Jesus Name I pray, amen.
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Your prayer: