

The Israel of God Bible Study Class

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ORDINANCE OF THE PASSOVER

Observance:

This is the ordinance of the Passover including the sacrificial ordinances. The sacrificial ordinances was done away with by the death of Jesus, but will be reinstated at his second coming.

Leviticus 23:1-2, 5

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, concerning the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, even these are my feasts.

5 In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the Lord's Passover.

The 10th day of the month, the Passover should be put up. Note: this is according to the Lord's calendar, not men. According to the Lord, the new moon begins a new month.

Exodus 12:3-11.

Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house:

4 And if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbor next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb.

5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats:

The 14th day is the day it was killed and eaten.

6 And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening.

7 And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it.

8 And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it.

9 Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast with fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof.

10 And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire.

11 And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the LORD'S Passover.

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Physical Meaning:

The Egyptians had the children of Israel in slavery and the Lord sent Moses to deliver them out of the hand of Pharaoh. The Lord had Moses tell Pharaoh to let his people go. He then hardened Pharaoh's heart so that he may show the world his strength. He sent plagues among the land of Egypt. Finally, the Lord said to Pharaoh that if you don't let my people go, I will kill the First Born in the land of Egypt, both man and beast. **Exodus 11:5, 12:12.**

The Lord told the people to take of the sacrificed Passover lamb's blood and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door posts of the houses, wherein they eat the Passover. **Exodus 12:7.** That night the Lord sent a plague throughout the land of Egypt and those houses that had the blood were delivered from the plague of the first born dying. The angel, that came to destroy that night, **passed over** that house, hence the term **Passover**.

Spiritual Meaning:

Jesus is our Passover. **1 Corinthians 5:7** states Christ our Passover, was sacrificed for us. We had to place the blood of the Passover lamb on our door posts to deliver us in Egypt, now we have to cover ourselves with the blood of Jesus the Christ in this present day. If we are under his blood, we are accepting Jesus as our Savior, and reminding ourselves that Christ died for us this night. **Matthew 27:50, Mark 15:37, Luke 23:46, John 19:30.**

What is the Passover now, since we don't sacrifice the Lamb?

Matthew 26:26-28, Genesis 14:18.

Unleavened bread and wine.

This is how we should observe the Passover now.

Matthew 26:26-28

and as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body.

27 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;

28 for this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

Divine Ordinance:

Washing of the feet:

Used to denote that even though you are a shepherd of sheep, you are still a servant of God, so be humble. **John 13:4-20**

He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself.

5 After that he poureth water into a basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded.

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6 Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and Peter saith unto him, Lord, dost thou wash my feet?

7 Jesus answered and said unto him, what I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter.

8 Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me.

9 Simon Peter saith unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head.

10 Jesus saith to him, He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all.

11 For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, Ye are not all clean.

12 So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you?

13 Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am.

14 If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet.

15 For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.

16 Verily, verily, I say unto you, the servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him.

Who can eat of the Passover:

Exodus 12:43-49

43 And the LORD said unto Moses and Aaron, This is the ordinance of the Passover: There shall no stranger eat thereof:

44 But every man's servant that is bought for money, when thou **hast circumcised him, then shall he eat thereof.**

45 A foreigner and an hired servant shall not eat thereof.

46 In one house shall it be eaten; thou shalt not carry forth ought of the flesh abroad out of the house; neither shall ye break a bone thereof.

47 All the congregation of Israel shall keep it.

48 **And when a stranger shall sojourn with thee, and will keep the Passover to the LORD, let all his males be circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it; and he shall be as one that is born in the land: for no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof.**

49 One law shall be to him that is home born, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you.

Remember: The Gentiles and Strangers can eat of the Passover also.

Ephesians 2: 12-20

That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world:

13 But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.

14 For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;

15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;

16 And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity

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thereby:

17 And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh.

18 For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.

19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God;

20 and are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone.

If you miss the Passover, what should you do?

Numbers 9:9-14

9 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

10 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If any man of you or of your posterity shall be unclean by reason of a dead body, or be in a journey afar off, yet he shall keep the Passover unto the LORD.

11 The **fourteenth day of the second month at even they shall keep it, and eat it with unleavened bread and bitter herbs.**

12 They shall leave none of it unto the morning, nor break any bone of it: according to all the ordinances of the Passover they shall keep it.

13 But **the man that is clean, and is not in a journey, and forbearth to keep the Passover, even the same soul shall be cut off from among his people: because he brought not the offering of the LORD in his appointed season, that man shall bear his sin.**

14 And if a stranger shall sojourn among you, and will keep the Passover unto the LORD; according to the ordinance of the Passover and according to the manner thereof, so shall he do: ye shall have one ordinance, both for the stranger, and for him that was born in the land.

All of the Sacrificial Ordinances that go with the Lord's Feast Days will be reinstated during the thousand years of peace.

Malachi 3:3-4

and he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness.

4 Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the LORD, as in the days of old, and as in former years.

Zechariah 14:16

And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.