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Exodus 11-12

MESSAGE NOTES

Thursday, Mar 19
Sunday, Mar 22

Introduction

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When you give your life to God, you start a new beginning.

- **An EXODUS from what was.**

Exodus 4 - Context for Chapters 11 & 12

21 And the Lord said to Moses, "When you go
back to Egypt, see that you perform before
Pharaoh all the wonders which I have put in
your power; but I will harden his heart so that
he will not let the people go. 22 Then you shall say
to Pharaoh, 'This is what the Lord says: "Israel is
My son, My firstborn. 23 So I said to you, 'Let My
son go so that he may serve Me;' but you have
refused to let him go. Behold, I am going to kill
your son, your firstborn."

We join the story nine plagues later...

Exodus 11:1-10

1 Now the Lord said to Moses, "One more plague
I will bring on Pharaoh and Egypt; after that
he will let you go from here. When he lets you
go, he will assuredly drive you out from here
completely. 2 Speak now so that the people
hear, that each man is to ask of his neighbor,
and each woman of her neighbor, articles of
silver and articles of gold." 3 And the Lord gave
the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians.
Furthermore, the man Moses himself was
greatly esteemed in the land on Egypt, both in
the sight of Pharaoh's servants and in the sight
of the people. 4 Then Moses said, "This is what
the Lord says: 'About midnight I am going out
into the midst of Egypt, 5 and all the firstborn in
the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn
of the Pharaoh who sits on his throne, to the
firstborn of the slave girl who is behind the
millstones; all the firstborn of the cattle as well.

[6]So there shall be a great cry in all the land of Egypt, such as there has not been before and such as shall never be again. [7]But not even a dog will threaten any of the sons of Israel, nor anything from person to animal, so that you may learn how the Lord distinguishes between Egypt and Israel.' [8]And all these servant of yours will come down to me and bow themselves before me, saying, 'Go out, you and all the people who follow you,' and after that I will go out." And he left Pharaoh in the heat of anger. [9]Then the Lord said to Moses, "Pharaoh will not listen to you, so that My wonders will be multiplied in the land of Egypt." [10]So Moses and Aaron performed all these wonders before Pharaoh; yet the Lord hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the sons of Israel go out of his land.

There are two historical contexts you might want to know about;

1. The Egyptian Celebration of "Sed" is about to occur - Pharaoh is about to be "reinstated as god."

   The true God will be victorious and will make things just.

2. The Passover Feast and the Feast of Unleavened Bread are about to occur.

   There are no loopholes to sin. We are all guilty and need a new beginning.

The Passover Lamb

[1]Now the Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, [2]"This month shall be the beginning of months for you; it is to be the first month of the year for you. [3]Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying, 'On the tenth of this month they are, each one, to take a lamb for themselves, according to the fathers' households, a lamb for each household. [4]Now if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his neighbor nearest to his house are to take one according to the number of persons in them; in proportion to what each one should eat, you are to divide the lamb. [5]Your lamb shall be an unblemished male a year old; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. [6]You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month, then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel is to slaughter it at twilight. [7]Moreover, they shall take some of

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the blood and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. [8]They shall eat the flesh that same night, roasted with fire, and they shall eat it with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. [9]Do not eat any of it raw or boiled at all with water, but rather roasted with fire, both its head and its legs along with its entrails. [10]And you shall not leave any of it over until morning, but whatever is left of it until morning, you shall completely burn with fire. [11]Now you shall eat it in this way: with your garment belted around your waist, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in a hurry--it is the Lord's Passover. [12]For I will go through the Land of Egypt on that night, and fatally strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the human firstborn to animals; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments-- I am the Lord. [13]The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live; and when I see the blood I will pass over you, and no plague will come upon you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

God is the only one who can start our new beginning.

Luke 22:14-20 The Lord's Supper
[14]When the hour came, He reclined at the table, and the apostles with Him, [15]And He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; [16]for I say to you, I shall not eat it again until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." [17]And when He had taken a cup and given thanks, He said, "Take this and share it among yourselves; [18]for I say to you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine from now on until the kingdom of God comes." [19]And when He had taken some bread and given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body, which is being given for you; do this in remembrance of Me." [20]And in the same way He took the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup, which is poured out for you, is the new covenant in My blood.

Jesus is now the Passover lamb for all humanity.

Will you let His blood cover your doorway?

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