

Reflection Questions August 20, 2023 The Only Way Exodus 12:43-13:10

The 10th and final plague on Egypt has fallen. But before the narrative progresses there are some last-minute details that need to be ironed out before Israel's departure. What some might be tempted to call a tedious list of regulations about Passover turns out to be an important statement about the exclusivity of the salvation that God provides to the world.

Reflection Questions:

- 1. Discuss the similarities between Israel's slavery in Egypt to their slavery to sin.
- 2. How does it make you feel to know that God hears your prayers and cares about your suffering?
- 3. What are some ways that the Passover is a 'pre-enactment' of the death of Christ?
- 4. Sometimes, when we call out to God for help, we think only about the physical suffering we are going through, but many times, God uses that physical suffering to point us to realizing a deeper spiritual problem. Can you share a time when you realized that God's help went deeper than what you initially asked for?
- 5. God's Word declares that there is only One Way to salvation. How do we understand this, especially with regard to people living in lands where Christianity is not openly practiced? (See Hebrews 11:6)
- 6. What does it mean to have a personal relationship with Jesus? How is it different from just believing in God?
- 7. Why do you think it's important to tell others about Jesus? What are some ways we can share the message of salvation?

Prayer Points:

- 1. Ask God to reveal any hidden oppression/area of sin that hinders your walk with Christ.
- 2. Ask God for a willing spirit of repentance and humility.
- 3. Ask God for the discernment to recognize His voice and His leading.
- 4. Give praise to God for having led you out of Egypt.