



Outward Group Discussion Guide

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SUMMARY

This sermon explores Exodus chapters 11-13, focusing on the tenth plague and the institution of Passover as a foreshadowing of Christ's sacrifice. The message emphasizes how the Israelites thought Pharaoh was their biggest problem, but God revealed their greater need for salvation from sin itself. Through the Passover lamb, God provided a substitutionary sacrifice that pointed forward to Jesus Christ, the ultimate Lamb of God. The sermon stresses the importance of remembrance—God repeatedly commanded Israel to remember their deliverance, just as Christians are called to remember Christ's sacrifice through communion. The central truth is that we are prone to forget our greatest need and God's greatest provision, making regular remembrance through communion and Scripture essential for maintaining proper spiritual perspective.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How does the concept of the 'law of unintended consequences' apply to our own prayers for deliverance, and what might be the deeper issues God wants to address in our lives beyond our immediate problems?
2. In what ways do we, like the Israelites, focus on our 'Pharaohs' while missing the greater problem of our own sin and separation from God?
3. Why do you think God required the blood of a lamb on the doorposts rather than simply passing over the Israelite homes based on their identity alone?
4. What does it mean that the equation of 'a lamb for a firstborn son' only makes sense when we understand Jesus as the Lamb of God, and how does this reshape our understanding of Old Testament sacrifices?
5. Why did God interrupt the Israelites' exodus to establish detailed memorial practices, and what does this reveal about His understanding of human nature?

6. How are we 'prone to wander' in our own spiritual lives, and what specific practices help us remember what Christ has done for us?
7. What modern-day 'gods' or false securities do we trust in that God might need to dismantle, similar to how He attacked the Egyptian gods through the plagues?
8. How does understanding that we have 'no leg to stand on outside of the blood of the Lamb' change the way we view ourselves and approach God?
9. When Jesus said 'this is my body' at the Passover meal, what would the disciples have understood about His claim to be the fulfillment of centuries of Passover celebrations?
10. In what practical ways can we keep the gospel 'right in front of our eyes' daily, ensuring we don't forget our greatest need and God's greatest provision?