

- ▶ The Passover is the act of God where He saves Israel from the Egyptians but also from themselves. God used this to provide a way to dwell with them but also to bring us His word. The ultimate goal was to reach the entire world through His people Israel. But she failed miserably which is a picture of our dilemma.

Isaiah 26:16-18 “O Lord, in distress they sought you;
they poured out a whispered prayer
when your discipline was upon them.

¹⁷ Like a pregnant woman
who labors and cries out in her pangs
when she is near to giving birth,
so were we because of you, O Lord;
¹⁸ we were pregnant, we labored,
but we have given birth to wind.
We have accomplished no deliverance in the earth,
and the kings of the world have not fallen.”

- ▶ So Passover was given as a temporary atonement for the utter frailty and failure of man. God in His mercy did not stop there, he went on to provide a permanent Passover and a second exodus through the Messiah. Isaiah describes them both:

Isaiah 52:13-15 “See, my servant will prosper;
he will be highly exalted.

¹⁴ But many were amazed when they saw him.
His face was so disfigured he seemed hardly human,
and from his appearance, one would scarcely know he was a man.

¹⁵ And he will startle many nations.
Kings will stand speechless in his presence.
For they will see what they had not been told;
they will understand what they had not heard about.

Isaiah 53 “Who has believed our message?

To whom has the Lord revealed his powerful arm?

² My servant grew up in the Lord’s presence like a tender green shoot,
like a root in dry ground.

There was nothing beautiful or majestic about his appearance,



nothing to attract us to him.

³ He was despised and rejected—
a man of sorrows, acquainted with deepest grief.
We turned our backs on him and looked the other way.
He was despised, and we did not care.

⁴ Yet it was our weaknesses he carried;
it was our sorrows that weighed him down.
And we thought his troubles were a punishment from God,
a punishment for his own sins!

⁵ But he was pierced for our rebellion,
crushed for our sins.
He was beaten so we could be whole.
He was whipped so we could be healed.
⁶ All of us, like sheep, have strayed away.
We have left God's paths to follow our own.
Yet the Lord laid on him
the sins of us all.

⁷ He was oppressed and treated harshly,
yet he never said a word.
He was led like a lamb to the slaughter.
And as a sheep is silent before the shearers,
he did not open his mouth.

⁸ Unjustly condemned,
he was led away.
No one cared that he died without descendants,
that his life was cut short in midstream.
But he was struck down
for the rebellion of my people.

⁹ He had done no wrong
and had never deceived anyone.
But he was buried like a criminal;
he was put in a rich man's grave.

¹⁰ But it was the Lord's good plan to crush him
and cause him grief.



Yet when his life is made an offering for sin,
 he will have many descendants.
 He will enjoy a long life,
 and the Lord's good plan will prosper in his hands.
¹¹ When he sees all that is accomplished by his anguish,
 he will be satisfied.
 And because of his experience,
 my righteous servant will make it possible
 for many to be counted righteous,
 for he will bear all their sins.
¹² I will give him the honors of a victorious soldier,
 because he exposed himself to death.
 He was counted among the rebels.
 He bore the sins of many and interceded for rebels."

▶ **The suffering servant became the permanent sacrifice.**

Hebrews 10:1-18 "The old system under the Law of Moses was only a shadow, a dim preview of the good things to come, not the good things themselves. The sacrifices under that system were repeated again and again, year after year, but they were never able to provide perfect cleansing for those who came to worship. ² If they could have provided perfect cleansing, the sacrifices would have stopped, for the worshipers would have been purified once for all time, and their feelings of guilt would have disappeared.

³ But instead, those sacrifices actually reminded them of their sins year after year. ⁴ For it is not possible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins. ⁵ That is why, when Christ came into the world, he said to God,

"You did not want animal sacrifices or sin offerings.

But you have given me a body to offer.

⁶ You were not pleased with burnt offerings
 or other offerings for sin.

⁷ Then I said, 'Look, I have come to do your will, O God—
 as is written about me in the Scriptures.'"



⁸ First, Christ said, “You did not want animal sacrifices or sin offerings or burnt offerings or other offerings for sin, nor were you pleased with them” (though they are required by the law of Moses). ⁹ Then he said, “Look, I have come to do your will.” He cancels the first covenant in order to put the second into effect. ¹⁰ For God’s will was for us to be made holy by the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ, once for all time.

¹¹ Under the old covenant, the priest stands and ministers before the altar day after day, offering the same sacrifices again and again, which can never take away sins. ¹² But our High Priest offered himself to God as a single sacrifice for sins, good for all time. Then he sat down in the place of honor at God’s right hand. ¹³ There he waits until his enemies are humbled and made a footstool under his feet. ¹⁴ For by that one offering he forever made perfect those who are being made holy.

¹⁵ And the Holy Spirit also testifies that this is so. For he says,

¹⁶ “This is the new covenant I will make
with my people on that day, says the Lord:
I will put my laws in their hearts,
and I will write them on their minds.”

¹⁷ Then he says,

“I will never again remember
their sins and lawless deeds.”

¹⁸ And when sins have been forgiven, there is no need to offer any more sacrifices.”

► **Our Passover Lamb is now eternal.**

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 “For I pass on to you what I received from the Lord himself. On the night when he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread ²⁴ and gave thanks to God for it. Then he broke it in pieces and said, “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” ²⁵ In the same way, he took the cup of wine after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant between God and his people—an agreement confirmed with my blood. Do this in remembrance of me as often as you drink it.” ²⁶ For every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are announcing the Lord’s death until he comes again.”



▶ **Now God has provided a second exodus, a permanent one.**

Isaiah 52:4-12 “This is what the Sovereign Lord says: “Long ago my people chose to live in Egypt. Now they are oppressed by Assyria. ⁵What is this?” asks the Lord. “Why are my people enslaved again? Those who rule them shout in exultation. My name is blasphemed all day long. ⁶But I will reveal my name to my people, and they will come to know its power. Then at last they will recognize that I am the one who speaks to them.”

⁷How beautiful on the mountains
are the feet of the messenger who brings good news,
the good news of peace and salvation,
the news that the God of Israel reigns!

¹¹Get out! Get out and leave your captivity,
where everything you touch is unclean.
Get out of there and purify yourselves,
you who carry home the sacred objects of the Lord.

¹²You will not leave in a hurry,
running for your lives.
For the Lord will go ahead of you;
yes, the God of Israel will protect you from behind.”

▶ **And now we carry out the admonition of living like our Messiah.**

Hebrews 10:19-25 “And so, dear brothers and sisters, we can boldly enter heaven’s Most Holy Place because of the blood of Jesus. ²⁰By his death, Jesus opened a new and life-giving way through the curtain into the Most Holy Place. ²¹And since we have a great High Priest who rules over God’s house, ²²let us go right into the presence of God with sincere hearts fully trusting him. For our guilty consciences have been sprinkled with Christ’s blood to make us clean, and our bodies have been washed with pure water.

²³Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep his promise. ²⁴Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good



works. ²⁵ And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.”

