

# Easter – The Journey from Slavery to Freedom

## Luke 22:14-20 (NIV)

"Jesus and His apostles reclined at the table. And He said to them, 'I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfillment in the kingdom of God.' After taking the cup, He gave thanks and said, 'Take this and divide it among you. For I tell you I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.' And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, 'This is My body given for you; do this in remembrance of Me.' In the same way, after the supper He took the cup, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is poured out for you.'"

"I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians." "I will free you from being slaves to them." "I will redeem you with an outstretched arm." "I will take you as My own people."

Genesis 3:15 (NIV) "He will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

## Exodus 3:2-3 (NIV)

"...Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. So Moses thought, 'I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up."

## Exodus 3:4-6 (NIV)

"And Moses said, 'Here I am.' 'Do not come any closer,' God said. 'Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground.' Then He said, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God."

## Exodus 3:7,9-14 (NIV)

"The Lord said, 'I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. And now the cry of the Israelites has reached Me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring My people the Israelites out of Egypt.' But Moses said to God, 'Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?' And God said, 'I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain.' Moses said to God, 'Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you," and they ask me, "What is His name?" Then what shall I tell them?' God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: "I Am has sent me to you."""

The Cup of Sanctification - "I will bring you out from under the burden of the Egyptians." The Cup of Deliverance - "I will free you from being slaves to them." The Cup of Redemption - "I will redeem you with an outstretched arm." The Cup of Praise - "I will take you as My own people."