



Study Notes (Deuteronomy 16:1-8)

Chapter 16:1-8

Passover- A Shadow of Things to Come

o Why the Jewish Feasts matter -> they show us Jesus!

▪ **Colossians 2:16-17; Hebrews 10:1**

o God institutes Passover

▪ Overview. In Deuteronomy God is shaping out through Moses the time, manner, and location whereas in Exodus we find a bit more detail on the particulars of the how.

• **See Exodus 12:1-20**. Here God is instituting the Passover while Israel is still enslaved in Egypt. God's deliverance was a sure thing because of His declaration; the circumstances will catch up. This is a faith principle for us today.

• Exodus focused on what this would look like in Egypt; Deuteronomy what it would look like in the Promised Land.

▪ Detail. We are going to look at this as the shadow it is, and how it is fulfilled in Christ.

• **Vv.1** The month is in sync with our observance of Resurrection.

• **Vv.2-8** The meal details are as follows:

o A lamb of their own flock (without Blemish)

▪ **Exodus 12:5 -> Hebrews 4:15**

o Unleavened Bread: further their homes and towns would need to have leaven cleared out of them during this observance. Leaven symbolized sin: *the haste of departing Israel was to illustrate God delivering them / us out of sin.*

o They were to only offer and eat the Passover sacrifice at the location God would choose.

▪ Pre Temple era was in the home.

▪ Temple era was in Jerusalem.

▪ Post Temple era (AD 70 forward) Judaism does not include the Passover lamb sacrifice in their meal and is referred to as the Seder.

o Eating the lamb allowed the participants to identify with and receive the lamb's death. This is further illustrated for us today with the observance of Communion.

▪ **See -> 1 Corinthians 11:24-26**

"And in the wilderness, where you have seen how the LORD your God carried you, as a man carries his son, all the way that you went until you came to this place." -Deuteronomy 1:31

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Deeper Questions for Application

- 1) *What value does learning about the Jewish Feasts have for believers in Jesus today? Which Feast are we looking at today?*
- 2) *Compare and contrast the Passover from the Exodus and Deuteronomy text.*
- 3) *What month was Passover to be observed and how long was the feast to last?*
- 4) *What are the particulars about the lamb to be offered and the bread for Passover? What did spots or blemishes on the lamb and leaven in the bread represent?*
- 5) *Does the location of observing the Passover matter? Why?*
- 6) *Share how Passover and Communion are similar. How does eating the meal connect us with the Passover lamb? What difference has Jesus made?*

*Type your answers and send them to me at damianmericka@live.com or attach through facebook messenger. ***For Next Time read Deuteronomy Chapter 16:9-22**