

FROM SLAVERY TO PRESENCE

# SALVATION THROUGH SACRIFICE

EXODUS 12:1-13

FORMATION GOAL

Becoming people who trust  
God's saving provision  
in Jesus Christ.

# NOTICE

*Notice what God provides—and how His people respond.*



## REFLECT

Israel is still in Egypt when God announces a new beginning. Their circumstances have not yet changed, but their old life will no longer define them.

They cannot rescue themselves. God provides the lamb, gives His promise, and shows them the way into freedom. Their responsibility is to take God at His word and act upon what He has said.



## NOTICE

**Read Exodus 12:1–13 slowly.**

As you read, pay attention to what God promises, what God provides, and how the people are instructed to respond.

- ◆ What new beginning does God announce?
- ◆ What details are given about the lamb?
- ◆ What actions are the households commanded to take?
- ◆ How do God's promise, provision, and the people's response work together?



## PERSONAL REFLECTION

**Write:** *Where am I trying to rescue or secure myself rather than trusting what God has provided?*

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## IN COMMUNITY

- ◆ What does God provide that Israel could not provide for itself?
- ◆ What do the sandals and staffs reveal about their faith?
- ◆ Why is their obedience an expression of trust rather than a way of earning rescue?

# LISTEN

*Listen for the gospel within the Passover story.*



## READ SLOWLY

Exodus 12:12–13 • 1 Corinthians 5:7 • 1 Peter 1:18–21

*“For our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed.”*

—1 Corinthians 5:7

At the doorway, God’s justice against evil and God’s grace toward His people meet. God does not ignore oppression, violence, or idolatry. Yet God graciously provides a means of protection and rescue.

The New Testament invites us to see Jesus as the fulfillment of this pattern: the Lamb God provides and the Savior we could never provide for ourselves.



## LISTEN

- ◆ What words or images connect Jesus with the Passover?
- ◆ What does the Passover help you understand about the sacrifice of Jesus?
- ◆ How do justice and grace meet at the doorway—and later at the cross?
- ◆ What is the difference between believing facts about Jesus and entrusting yourself to Jesus?



## PERSONAL REFLECTION

*What is God inviting me to trust about Jesus Christ today?*



## IN COMMUNITY

- ◆ How would you explain “Christ is our Passover Lamb” to someone unfamiliar with the Bible?
- ◆ Why is salvation more than protection from judgment?
- ◆ How does Jesus rescue us both from bondage and for a new life with God?
- ◆ How can obedience reveal saving faith without becoming the price of salvation?

# RESPOND

*Entrust your whole life to Jesus.*

God provided the rescue Israel could not provide for itself. Their obedience did not purchase salvation; it was the form their faith took. Saving faith means taking God at His word, entrusting ourselves to Jesus Christ, and following Him into the life He gives.



## PRACTICE

*Choose one faithful response for this week.*

- ☐ Entrust your whole life to Jesus through a prayer of repentance and faith.
- ☐ Name one false refuge you have trusted for security and surrender it to Christ.
- ☐ Read Exodus 12:1–13 each day, noticing what God has done for you in Jesus.
- ☐ Take one concrete action that demonstrates your trust in Christ.



## BREATH PRAYER

*Jesus Christ, Lamb of God,  
I entrust my whole life to You.*



## MY NEXT FAITHFUL STEP

*Because I trust Jesus Christ, this week I will:*

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## IN COMMUNITY

- ◆ What truth about Jesus do you most need to carry with you this week?
- ◆ What faithful action will express your trust?
- ◆ How can we pray for and encourage you?



## CLOSING PRAYER

Jesus Christ, Lamb of God, thank You for doing what I could never do for myself. I trust Your saving grace. Lead me out of bondage, into freedom, and into new life with You. Amen.