Exodus 12:14

Sunday Morning

Review: Last week we looked at the Passover & we were introduced to the Feast of Unleavened Bread

Ex.12:3 "Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying, 'On the tenth of this month they are each one to take a lamb for themselves, according to their fathers' households, a lamb for each household.

V.5 'Your lamb shall be an unblemished male a year old; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats.

V.6 'You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month, then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel is to kill it at twilight.

V.7 'Moreover, they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses in which they eat it.

V.11 'Now you shall eat it in this manner: with your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste—it is the LORD'S Passover.

V.12 'For I will go through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike down <u>all the firstborn</u> in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments—I am the LORD.

V.13 'The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live; and *when I see the blood I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you* to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

- 1. "when I see the blood I will pass over you, & no plague will befall you"
 - a. It did<u>n't</u> matter what was happening <u>in the house</u>
 - b. The blood was the only issue!
 - c. The **blood is <u>still</u> the issue**!
 - I don't care who tells you that <u>you must repent</u> of your sins they are wrong
 - i. You don't have anything to contribute to the blood of Christ
 - ii. You can't repent enough
 - e. It doesn't matter who tells you that you must **believe w/ all your heart** they are wrong
 - i. You can't believe enough
 - f. I don't care who calls it cheap salvation
 - i. Let them tell Christ that His blood is too cheap a price

- g. The Church is losing the correct doctrine of salvation & turning it into a **works based salvation**
 - i. There is no power to live the Christian life w/ that belief
 - **Colossians 2:23 (NLT)** These rules may <u>seem wise</u> because they require <u>strong devotion</u>, pious <u>self-</u> <u>denial</u>, and severe <u>bodily discipline</u>. But they provide <u>no help</u> in conquering a person's evil desires.
 - ii. You must believe in the Jesus Christ of the Bible that's it!
 - iii. Here is a different passage than last week's

John 6:37 " All that the Father gives Me shall come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will certainly not cast out.

³⁸ "For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.

³⁹ "And <u>this is the will of Him who sent Me</u>, that of all that He has given Me I lose nothing, but raise it up on the last day.

⁴⁰ "For <u>this is the will of My Father</u>, that everyone who **<u>beholds</u>** the Son and **<u>believes</u>** in Him, may have eternal life; and I Myself will raise him up on the last day."

- h. I don't care who says, "there's no free lunch" they better hope that isn't true b/c no one owns enough to pay for salvation
- 2. *Christ went to the cross <u>w/ the goal of purchasing our salvation</u>

Acts 10:43 "Of Him all the prophets bear witness that through His name everyone who **believes** in <u>Him</u> receives forgiveness of sins."

1 Timothy 2:5 For there is one God, and <u>one</u> <u>mediator</u> also between God and men, *the* man Christ Jesus,

1 Corinthians 3:11 For no man can lay a foundation <u>other than the one</u> which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

V.14 (NP)

V.14 'Now this day will be a memorial to you, and you shall celebrate it *as* a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations you are to celebrate it *as* a **permanent** ordinance.

V.15 'Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, but on the first day you shall remove leaven from your houses; for whoever eats anything leavened from the first day until the seventh day, that person shall be cut off from Israel.

V.16 'On the first day you shall have a <u>holy assembly</u>, (Sabbath) and another <u>holy assembly</u> (Sabbath) on the seventh day; no work at all shall be done on them, except what must be eaten by every person, that alone may be prepared by you.

V.17 <u>You shall also observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread</u>, for on this very day I brought your hosts out of the land of Egypt; therefore you shall observe this day throughout your generations as a permanent ordinance.

- 1. "You shall also observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread"
 - a. The Passover is a one feast
 - i. It was a one day feast
 - b. The Feast of Unleavened Bread which is 7 days
 - i. It starts the day after Passover
 - ii. Sometimes called the Passover Week
 - iii. On the first day of Feast of Unleavened Bread Israel started walking out of Egypt

V.18 'In the first month, <u>on the fourteenth day of the month at evening, you</u> <u>shall eat unleavened bread, until the twenty-first day of the month at evening</u>.

- 1. "on...fourteenth day of...month...eat unleavened bread...until 21st day at evening"
 - a. At Passover <u>no leaven</u> allowed
 - b. At Feast of Unleavened Bread <u>no leaven</u> allowed
 - c. Leaven speaks of sin <u>example</u>:

Matthew 16:6 And Jesus said to them, "<u>Watch out</u> and beware of the <u>leaven</u> of the Pharisees and Sadducees."

V.12 Then they understood that He did not say to beware of the leaven of bread, but of <u>the teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees</u>.

- d. <u>After salvation</u> the believer is called upon to live a holy life
 - i. No leaven speaks of removing sin from the life **V.19 (NP)**

V.19 'Seven days there shall be no leaven found in your houses; for whoever eats what is leavened, <u>that person shall be cut off from the congregation of</u> <u>Israel, whether he is an alien or a native</u> of the land.

- 1. "that person shall be <u>cut off</u> from the congregation of Israel, whether he is an <u>alien</u> or a <u>native</u>"
 - a. This "no leaven" was serious business
 - i. This means more than just breaking fellowship w/ someone
 - ii. It meant being <u>excluded from the camp</u>, <u>separated from</u> <u>covenant rights</u> and <u>privileges</u>, <u>possibly resulting in death</u> under certain circumstances
 - b. It didn't matter who you were you did not eat leaven during Feast of Unleavened Bread
 - i. You couldn't have it in the house
 - **V.15** 'Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, but <u>on the first day you shall remove leaven from</u> <u>your houses</u>; for whoever eats anything leavened from the first day until the seventh day, that person <u>shall be cut off from Israel</u>.
 - ii. You couldn't even have it in the borders of your community Deuteronomy 16:4 "For seven days <u>no leaven</u> shall be seen with you <u>in all your territory</u>, and none of the flesh which you sacrifice on the evening of the first day shall remain overnight until morning.

V.21 Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel and said to them, "Go and take for yourselves lambs according to your families, and slay the Passover lamb.

V.22 <u>"You shall take a bunch of hyssop and dip it in the blood which is in the basin, and apply some of the blood that is in the basin to the lintel and the two doorposts</u>; and none of you shall go outside the door of his house until morning.

1. "You shall take a bunch of hyssop and dip it in the blood...apply some of the blood...to the lintel...doorposts"

a. Hyssop is a small flowering bush used in ceremonial cleansing

- i. It represented the <u>transfer of virtue</u> from sacrifice to transgressor
- ii. King David ask God to purify him w/ hyssop after sinning w/ Bathsheba **Ps.51:7 (NP)**

Psalm 51:7 <u>Purify me with</u> **hyssop**, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

b. Used in **purifying ritual of the leaper**

Leviticus 14:2 "This shall be the law of the leper in the day of his cleansing. Now he shall be brought to the priest,

³ and the priest shall go out to the outside of the camp. Thus the priest shall look, and if the infection of leprosy has been healed in the leper,

⁴ then the priest shall give orders to take two live clean birds and cedar wood and <u>a scarlet string and</u> <u>hyssop</u> for the one who is to be cleansed.

⁵ "The priest shall also give orders to slay the one bird in an earthenware vessel over running water.

⁶ "*As for* the live bird, he shall take it, <u>together with</u> <u>the cedar wood and the scarlet string and the hyssop</u>, and shall dip them and the live bird in the blood of the bird that was slain over the running water.

⁷ "He shall then sprinkle seven times the one who is to be cleansed from the leprosy, and shall pronounce him clean, and shall let the live bird go free over the open field.

i. The hyssop was tied together w/ a scarlet thread

c. That scarlet thread looked forward to the cross

John 19:28 After this, Jesus, knowing that all things had already been accomplished, in order that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said, " I am thirsty."

²⁹ A jar full of sour wine was standing there; so they put a sponge full of the sour wine <u>upon *a branch of*</u> **hyssop**, and brought it up to His mouth.

³⁰ When Jesus therefore had received the sour wine, He said, " <u>It is finished</u>!" And He bowed His head, and gave up His spirit.

V.23 (NP)

V.23 "For the LORD will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when He sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, the LORD will pass over the door and <u>will not allow the destroyer to come in to your houses to smite you</u>.

- 1. "will not allow the destroyer to come in to your houses to smite you"
 - a. God brought the judgment on Egypt
 - i. But He used the death angel to do the work of killing the first born of each house
 - ii. It appears that God refused the death angel entrance into the houses where the blood was
 - b. God orchestrates this whole process but but He is the protector of those under the blood
 - i. Some believers don't feel that God is for them not against them

Romans 8:1 There is therefore now <u>no</u> condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.
<u>V.38</u> For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers,

³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the **love** of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

V.24 "And you shall observe this event as an ordinance for you and your children forever.

V.25 "When you enter the land which the LORD will give you, as He has promised, you shall observe this rite.

V.26 "And <u>when your children say to you, 'What does this rite mean to you?</u> V.27 you shall say, 'It is a Passover sacrifice to the LORD who passed over the houses of the sons of Israel in Egypt when He smote the Egyptians, but spared our homes.'" And <u>the people bowed low and worshiped</u>.

- 1. "when your children say to you, 'What does this rite mean to you?"
 - a. Their children would **<u>observe</u>** their actions & ask the meaning
 - b. Parents are to act the part of being believers not just talk the part
 - i. It is very confusing to children to hear their parents say one thing & do another
 - ii. It devalues Christianity when children see that type behavior

- c. It is no coincidence that believers lives are so busy that they don't spend time together as a family!
 - What better way for Satan to win than to have people so busy they can't <u>show</u> their children what a Christian looks like.
 - ii. Where else will they learn about God? The school system, sports, church, their peers? Where if not from you?
- 2. "the people bowed low and worshiped"
 - a. What does personal worship look like to you?
 - b. Worship is in part "The feeling and expression of <u>high</u> adoration, <u>reverence</u>, <u>trust</u>, <u>love</u>, <u>loyalty</u>, and <u>dependence upon</u> a <u>higher power</u>..." (Unger's Bible Dictionary)
 - c. You must spend time thinking about (meditating on) the person of God before you can truly worship Him
 - i. Have you ever broke out into a/the doxology?
 - d. It is adoration that **no man** is worthy of

Acts 10:25 And when it came about that Peter entered, Cornelius met him, and fell at his feet and worshiped *him*.

²⁶ But Peter raised him up, saying, "<u>Stand up</u>; <u>I too</u> <u>am just a man</u>."

e. No creature is worthy of worship

Revelation 22:8 And I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw, <u>I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel</u> who showed me these things.

⁹ And he said to me, "<u>Do not do that; I am a fellow</u> <u>servant of yours</u> and of your brethren the prophets and of those who heed the words of this book; <u>worship God</u>."

f. There is <u>corporate worship</u> & <u>private worship</u> – both are essential to godly living

V.28 Then *the sons of Israel went and did so*; just as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so they did.

- 1. "the sons of Israel went and did so"
 - a. Worship always manifest itself in obedience

V.29 Now it came about at midnight that the LORD struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sat on his throne to the firstborn of the captive who was in the dungeon, and all the firstborn of cattle.

V.30 Pharaoh arose in the night, he and all his servants and all the Egyptians, and <u>there was a great cry in Egypt</u>, for there was <u>**no home**</u> where there was not someone <u>**dead**</u>.)

V.31 Then he called for Moses and Aaron at night and said, "Rise up, **<u>get</u> <u>out</u>** from among my people, both you **and the sons** of Israel; and go, worship the LORD, **as you have said**.

V.32 "Take both **your flocks** and **your herds**, <u>as you have said</u>, and <u>go</u>, <u>and bless me also</u>.")

V.33 The Egyptians **urged** the people, to send them out of the land in haste, for they said, "We will all be dead."

V.34 So the people took their dough before it was leavened, with their kneading bowls bound up in the clothes on their shoulders.

V.35V Now the sons of Israel had done according to the word of Moses, for they had requested from the Egyptians articles of silver and articles of gold, and clothing;

V.36 and the LORD had given the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they let them have their request. Thus they plundered the Egyptians.^(400 years back wages)

V.37 Now the sons of Israel journeyed <u>from Rameses to Succoth</u>^(south, along Gulf of Suez, instead of E.NE.) about <u>six hundred thousand men</u>^(at least 2 million) on

foot, aside from children.)

V.38 A **mixed** multitude also went up with them, along with flocks and herds, a very large number of livestock.)

V.39 They baked the dough which they had brought out of Egypt into cakes of unleavened bread. For it had not become leavened, since they were driven out of Egypt and could not delay, **nor had they prepared** any provisions for themselves.^(logistics of food & water)

V.40 Now the time that the sons of Israel lived in Egypt was four hundred and thirty years.

V.41 And at the end of four hundred and thirty years, **to the very day**, *all* the hosts of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt.

- 1. "all the hosts of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt"
 - a. The Israelites were confident as they left

Numbers 33:3 And they journeyed from Rameses in the first month, on the fifteenth day of the first month; on the next day <u>after the Passover the sons of</u> <u>Israel started out boldly in the sight of all the</u> Egyptians,

⁴ **while** the Egyptians were <u>burying **all** their first-</u> <u>born</u> whom the LORD had struck down among them. The LORD had also executed judgments on their gods.

⁵ Then the sons of Israel journeyed from Rameses, and camped in Succoth.

⁶ And they journeyed from Succoth, and camped in Etham, which is on the edge of the wilderness.

<u>V.46</u> "It is to be eaten in a single house; you are not to bring forth any of the flesh outside of the house, <u>nor are you to break any bone of it</u>.)
 <u>V.50</u> Then all the sons of Israel did so; they did just as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron.

V.51 And on that same day *the LORD brought the sons of Israel out of the land of Egypt* by their hosts.

1. "the LORD brought the sons of Israel out of the land of Egypt"

a. They came out victorious w/out a hitch or a stumble

Psalm 105:37 (NLT)

³⁷ The LORD brought his people out of Egypt, loaded with silver and gold; and not one among the tribes of Israel even stumbled.

b. We wait for our redemption also (w/out a hitch or a stumble) Philippians 3:20-21 (NASB77)

²⁰ For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ;