

Exodus 12-13

God's New Year

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The Passover Lamb in the OT was critical because it points to Jesus Christ:

- **without blemish.** Jesus was without sin
- **killed at twilight** Jesus was killed at twilight...
- **none of the lamb should remain** until morning
- ***What happens to food when you leave it out? (Starts to decay)***
- **Jesus wasn't left in the tomb where His body could decay**
- **none of its bones should be broken**

Exodus 12 - "Apply the blood to the doorposts and lintel of your house... When I see the blood I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be on you to destroy you."

Exodus 12:2 - "This month shall be your beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year to you."

1. Make a clean sweep

Exodus 12:17-20 - So you shall observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread, for on this same day I will have brought your armies out of the land of Egypt. Therefore you shall observe this day throughout your generations as an everlasting ordinance. In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at evening, the fourteenth day of the month at evening, you shall eat unleavened bread, until the twenty-first day of the month at evening. For seven days no leaven shall be found in your houses... You shall eat nothing leavened; in all your dwellings you shall eat unleavened bread.'"

Jesus: "Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees which is hypocrisy."

1 Cor. 5:6 - Don't you know that a little leaven spreads through the whole batch of dough?

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1 Cor. 5:7 - *Get rid of the old leaven*, that you may be a new unleavened batch, as you really are.

#1 - Confess

Psalm 32:5 - "Then I acknowledged my sin to You and didn't cover up my iniquity. I said, 'I'll *confess* my transgressions to the LORD'--and You forgave the guilt of my sin."

"If we confess our sins He's faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us of all unrighteousness."

#2 - Repent

Romans 13:14 - Put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.

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#3 - Pray

Ephesians 6:10-11 - Finally, be strong *in the Lord* and in the power of *His might*. Put on the whole armor *of God*, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

#4 - Trust

Philippians 4:13 - I can do *all things* through Christ who strengthens me.

1 Cor. 5:7 - Get rid of the old leaven, that you may be a new unleavened batch, as you really are. *For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed.*

Exodus 13:7-8 - No leavened bread shall be seen among you, nor shall leaven be seen among you in all your quarters. ⁸ And you shall tell your son in that day, saying, *'This is done because of what the Lord did for me.'*

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2. Give yourself to God.

13:1 -Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, “Consecrate to Me all the firstborn, whatever opens the womb among the children of Israel, both of man and beast; *it is Mine.*”

Romans 6:13 - Give yourselves completely to God, for you were dead, but now you have new life. So use your whole body as an instrument to do what is right for the glory of God.

13:14&15 - So it shall be, when your son asks you in time to come, saying, ‘What is this?’ that you shall say to him, ‘By strength of hand *the Lord* brought us out of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. And it came to pass, when Pharaoh was stubborn about letting us go, that *the Lord* killed all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man and the firstborn of beast. *Therefore* I sacrifice to the Lord all males that open the womb, but all the firstborn of my sons I redeem.’”

Bible: We love Him because He first loved us. (1 John 4:19)

3. Follow Him Daily

13:17 - Then it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let the people go, that God *didn't* lead them by way of the land of the Philistines, *although that was near*; for God said, "Lest perhaps the people change their minds when they see war, and return to Egypt.”

v. 18 - So *God led the people* around by way of the wilderness of the Red Sea. And the children of Israel went up in orderly ranks out of the land of Egypt.

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v. 21 - *The Lord went before them* by day in a pillar of cloud to lead the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, so as to go by day and night. ²² He didn't take away the pillar of cloud by day or the pillar of fire by night from before the people.

Matthew 4:18 - As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And He said to them, "Follow Me..."

John 21:20-22 - Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them. He was the one who had leaned back against Jesus at the supper to ask, "Lord, who is going to betray You?" When Peter saw him, he asked, "Lord, what about him?" Jesus answered, "If I want him to remain until I return, what is that to you? You follow Me!"

Bible: In everything give thanks.

Bible: The Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, took bread and when He had *given thanks*, He broke it and said, "This is My body which is broken for you."

Philippians 2:5-8 - Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, didn't consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant... And being found in appearance as a man, He *humbled* Himself and became obedient to death--even death on a cross!

Luke 5:16 - Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed.

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Jesus: A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you're My disciples, if you love one another.

- 1. Make a clean sweep**
- 2. Give yourself to God**
- 3. Follow Him daily...**

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Exodus 12:2 - "This month shall be your beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year to you."

Three things happened right after Passover and they point to the three things you should do after you trust Christ as your Savior.

1. _____

1 Cor. 5:7 - ***Get rid of the old leaven***, that you may be a new unleavened batch, as you really are.

How can you get rid of the old leaven (sin)?

#1 - _____ (Psalm 32:5)

#2 - _____ (Romans 13:14)

#3 - _____ (Eph. 6:10-11)

#4 - _____ (Phil. 4:13)

2. _____

Romans 6:13 - Give yourselves completely to God, for you were dead, but now you have new life. So use your whole body as an instrument to do what is right for the glory of God.

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3. _____

Landmarks:

*If you're following God, you'll be _____.

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