The Great Passover

I Cor. 5:7 Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:

Rom. 3:20 Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

Rom. 3:23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

Both Egypt and Israel are sinners before God

Rom. 6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sin must be paid it’s wages

Sin must be paid for in full.

It can’t be ignored it must be dealt with

All iniquity and condemnation of sin is universal

The Lord will go out into the midst of Egypt at midnight and all the Firstborn in the land of Eygpt shall die.

This is Judgment with mercy that God would reveal to all the world His judgment against all sin but

First give them a remedy through true repentance

Ex 11:4 And Moses said, Thus saith the LORD, About midnight will I go out into the midst of Egypt:

5 And all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sitteth upon his throne, even unto the firstborn of the maidservant that is behind the mill; and all the firstborn of beasts.

6 And there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as there was none like it, nor shall be like it any more.

7 But against any of the children of Israel shall not a dog move his tongue, against man or beast: that ye may know how that the LORD doth put a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.

How could justice be satisfied without excluding mercy?

Justice and Mercy both have to be satisfied, you can’t have justice if mercy is not fully satisfied and

you can’t have true mercy without justice.

Justice can]t ignore sin nor forgive any sin

Holiness can’t ignore one sin nor forgive it.

All the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die

Not just of Egypt but “all the firstborn in the land of Egypt”

Egyptian and Israelite as well “all”

Judgment – The death of the firstborn -

That ye may know how that the LORD doth put a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.

Mercy – Through the shed blood of the Lamb

Every single sin has to be properly dealt with (The death of the Firstborn)

Justice must be satisfied

Sin must be dealt with

Rom. 5:20 Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:

Grace was not spent at the expense of Righteousness

Every demand of justice must be fully satisfied

Every claim of Holiness must be fully met

God Provided a substitute – The blood of the Pascal Lamb

The sentence of death must be fully executed and it was carried out but it didn’t fall on a guilty victim but it fell on an innocent victim.

Isa 1:6 From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it; but wounds, and bruises, and putrifying sores: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with ointment.

II Peter 2:4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;

5 And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;

6 And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly;

Rom. 8:32 He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

II Cor. 5:21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

God can only be satisfied with that which Glorifies Him.

A lamb without a blemish, in each prime, in its strength.

30 years old is the average prime age.

33 years old for Christ

In the maximum prospect of his life he died for us

He suffered the maximum, he gave his best,

Ex.12:4 - the lamb

12:5 - your lamb

12:21 - a Lamb