The very first of five annual Feasts:

1. **Passover Feast** also called the Feast of Unleavened Bread
2. Feast of Weeks
3. The Day of Atonement
4. Feast of Tabernacles
5. Feast of Trumpets

The Israelites were about to be established as a Nation, rooted in the fact that God delivered them through a sacrifice, which signified the death of Christ on the Cross.

1Cor. 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:**

**8 Therefore let us keep the feast**, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

1. The **Passover** deals with the **Judgment of God** and **Deliverance** from **bondage.**

Ex 12:12 For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD.

Ex .12:13 And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and **when I see the blood**, **I will pass over you**, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt

1. **Ex.12:12** For **I will pass** through the land of Egypt **this night**,

1. The Time of the Passover

a. It marked a new beginning for Israel

b. It marked death at midnight for the firstborns.

c. It marked the Time of Sacrifice on the Cross

Christ was crucified on the very day of the Passover.

John19:14 And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King!

Ex. 12:2—*This month shall be unto you* ***the beginning of months****: it shall be the first month of the year to you.*

Ex 12:18—*In the* ***first month****, on the* ***fourteenth day*** *of the month at* ***even****, ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and* ***twentieth day*** *of the month at even.*

Ex 12:29—*And it came to pass, that at midnight the LORD smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that was in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle.*

2. The Purpose of the Passover

a. To prove their faith in God’s provision.

b. The Passover signified deliverance from death through obedience.

c. The future generations were to ask and prepare for Lord’s sacrifice.

Ex 12:26 And it shall come to pass, when your children shall say unto you, What mean ye by this service?

27 That ye shall say, It is the sacrifice of the LORD'S passover, who passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Egyptians, and delivered our houses. And the people bowed the head and worshipped.

1. **“and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt both man and beast;”**

Ex 4:22 And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD, Israel is my son, even my firstborn:

Ex 12:23 For the LORD will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when he seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, the LORD will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite you.

1. God is revealed as the destroyer “**and will smite”**
2. **God is revealed as the Deliverer “**and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite you”

Ex 12:11 And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the LORD'S passover.

1. God Is revealed as passing over you.
2. **And against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD**.
3. The Judgment of God is against all Idolatry in Egypt, this is a spiritual battle.
4. The Judgment of God is against all unbelievers, ungodly and unrighteous.
5. The Deliverance of God is for all who believe, obey and diligently follow.
   1. Delivered from the slavery of Egypt.
   2. Delivered from the plague of Death.
   3. Delivered from the land of bondage unto the land of Promise.
6. The Passover was for Israel to be saved from the Angel that came with the tenth and final plague for the death of all the firstborns in Egypt.

God has a plan to save and deliver all that believe and obey.

God has a plan to judge the Egyptians while delivering every believer.

God has a plan to show every believer the importance of the blood of the Passover Lamb.

God has a plan to take away the sins of the whole world, through Jesus Christ the Son of God.

Ex. 12:38 And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, even very much cattle.

Num. 11:4 And the mixt multitude that was among them fell a lusting: and the children of Israel also wept again, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat?

1. Three great things in one night
2. The Passover FEAST
3. The death of the firstborns
4. The Exodus, DELIVERANCE FROM EGYPT

Ex 12:3 Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house:

1. The whole Congregation was called to the Passover feast.
2. “A Lamb for an House”
3. By faith in the Perfect Lamb of God, the Son of God
4. The entire family would eat in their own home with the whole congregation

Ex 12:4 And if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb.

1. The **Lamb** was to be **chosen and examined**
2. “every man according to his eating”

Ex 12:5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats:

1. “ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats”
2. “Your lamb shall be without blemish”
3. “a male of the first year”

Ex 12:6 And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening

1. “And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day”
   1. Four days for the lamb to live in the house to get real close to it, to

learn the experience of loosing something you really love and your children really love, to reveal God’s Love and pain in sending His only Son as a sacrifice.

Ex 12:7 And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it.

Ex 12:22 And ye shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip it in the blood that is in the bason, and strike the lintel and the two side posts with the blood that is in the bason; and none of you shall go out at the door of his house until the morning.

1. “take of the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door post”

Ex 12:8 And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it.

Ex 12:9 Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast with fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof.

Ex 12:11 And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the LORD'S passover.

1. “eat the flesh in the night, roast with fire” and “unleavened bread” and “with bitter herbs”
   1. Roasted, (not boiled) and eaten; the whole lamb roasted and eaten.
   2. Eaten with “unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it.

* We are only saved by Christ’s sacrifice
* We are saved from sin unto Holiness
* We are to remember by the Passover the bitter taste of sin and suffering, the high cost of Victory and heavy burden of freedom.
  1. “eat with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet and your staff in your hand and ye shall eat it in haste” READY—PREPARED
* This was not to be a Jewish Passover this is the Lord’s Passover.

Ex 12:36 And the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent unto them such things as they required. And they spoiled the Egyptians.

* 1. Passing over you—leads to the Red Sea Crossing
  2. Passover or Judgment

Passover—Salvation and Resurrection **or** Judgment—death. and destruction

There are two types of freedom in peoples mind:

1. A man is free to do what he wants
2. A man is free to do what he ought.

The only true freedom is what the Lord gives to the obedient and that is a will that is free to only do God’s Will.

It is the Will of God that we share the Good news of Resurrection.

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead is the greatest truth to share with the whole world.

For believer’s: Resurrection of Christ means; Deliverance from sin and death and fellowship restored.