

The Passover

Foundations of the BFM 2000 / Ex 12:43–51

The Memory of the Passover

Introduction

In the 12th chapter:

Passover is instituted for first time

Passover is practiced

TT - Three truths from this text when it comes to the memory of the Lord's Supper.

1. God EXPECTS you to observe the Lord's Supper

The word observance means observance commanded. Christians practice two ordinances that were given by the Lord: baptism and the Lord's Supper.

In the Jewish calendar there were holy days and festival times that were expected to be kept up.

Passover was - A yearly holy day set apart for the Israelites to observe the Exodus from Egypt, particularly the passing over of the Israelite firstborn males when the firstborn of Egypt were struck down in the last of ten plagues.

1 Corinthians 11:25

²⁵ After the same manner also *he took* the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: **this do ye**, as oft as ye drink *it*, in remembrance of me.

2. The Lord's Supper gives you an opportunity to **EXAMINE** your life

A Stranger was welcomed only on God's terms

A. Must be purchased

Exodus 12:44 (KJV 1900)

⁴⁴ But every man's servant that is bought for money, when thou hast circumcised him, then shall he eat thereof.

1 Corinthians 6:18–20 (KJV 1900)

¹⁸ Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body. ¹⁹ What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is* in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? ²⁰ **For ye are bought with a price:** therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

B. Circumcised -

Exodus 12:48 (KJV 1900)

⁴⁸ And when a stranger shall sojourn with thee, and will keep the passover to the Lord, let all his males be circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it; and he shall be as one that is born in the land: for no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof.

Colossians 2:11–12 KJV 1900

¹¹ In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: ¹² Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with *him* through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.

The flesh wants to find loop holes when considering the idea before us.

Good person;

Religious person;

Hard worker;

Riches;

Reputation;

Position;

C. One Law - Exodus 12:49

Exodus 12:49 KJV 1900

⁴⁹ One law shall be to him that is homeborn, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you.

A TIME OF EXAMINATION for the Believer - v. 27-34

a. Individual Self-Examination

“If you’re not sure what just start guessing and you’ll prob get it on the first try”

b. Collective Corporate-Examination

Private sin, Private Confession, Public Sin, Public Conf.

3. The Lord’s Supper is EXPRESSIVE

A. Saving Faith in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ

1 Corinthians 11:24 KJV 1900

²⁴ And when he had given thanks, he brake *it*, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.

A **memorial service** - this is the greatest sacrifice. We remember the Lord’s Suffering & Death.

Exodus 12:4 The Lamb is Sufficient -

Matthew 3:17 KJV 1900

¹⁷ And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

Exodus 12:5 The Lamb is Spotless

Exodus 12:7 - The Blood

Revelation 1:5 KJV 1900

⁵ And from Jesus Christ, *who is* the faithful witness, *and* the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

Exodus 12:8 - The Death of the Lamb was bitter

B. Future of the Christian hope -

1 Corinthians 11:26 - “*ye do shew the Lord’s death till he come*”

Jesus died, was buried, rose again, coming again

Looking backwards and looking forwards

John 14:1–3 KJV 1900

¹ Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. ² In my Father’s house are many mansions: if *it were* not *so*, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, *there* ye may be also.

Acts 1:11 KJV 1900

¹¹ Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

1 Thessalonians 4:13–18 KJV 1900

¹³ But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. ¹⁴ For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. ¹⁵ For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive *and* remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. ¹⁶ For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: ¹⁷ Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. ¹⁸ Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

C. Fellowship of family

This was eaten in one house of the family

Exodus 12:46 KJV 1900

⁴⁶ In one house shall it be eaten; thou shalt not carry forth ought of the flesh abroad out of the house; neither shall ye break a bone thereof.

CONCLUSION

As we come to the table for The Lord's Supper let us be mindful of these reasons for coming.

Have you trusted in the sacrificial death of Christ? Are you obeying Christ in your life? Is there something you need to obey Him in before you come to the table in obedience? Are you excited about the coming of Christ when we shall be caught up together with Him? Is there anything in your life that you would be ashamed of if He came right now? As you examine yourself are you where you need to be with Christ? How is your fellowship and communion with Christ? Is there anything you need to confess to the church? Any sin you have committed to cause division or disunity among the body of Christ? We collectively wait on our brothers and sisters in the Lord.

INSTRUCTIONS AT THE TABLE

Matthew 26:26-27, 30

Bread - Read v. 26

Take the Bread and give it to the men
(PRAY) Bless it while holding on to it

Serve Congregation

Serve the men (starting left) then let them serve you

Re-Read v. 26

Cup - Read v. 27

Take the Cup and give it to the men
(PRAY) Bless it while holding on to it

Serve Congregation

Serve the men (starting left) then let them serve you

Re-read v. 27

Hymn - Read v. 30

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