**Christ, Our Passover Lamb**

**Exodus 11: 4-7, 12:1-14**

**Last Week: God’s purpose with the 1st 9 plagues:**

**IN JUDGMENT, the Egyptians will know that He is the Lord.**

**IN SALVATION, the Israelites will know that He is the Lord.**

**This Week: The 10th plague and Passover**

**Likewise, the Passover deals with the JUDGMENT & DELIVERANCE of God**

**JUDGMENT (Exodus 11:4-6)**

*"He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.”* **John 3:36**

**DELIVERANCE (Exodus 11:7)**

*My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand."* **John 10:27-28**

**The Passover (Exodus 12:1-14)**

1. **The SELECTION of the Lamb (v. 1-3)**
   1. **Difference between Egypt and Israel hinged on a lamb.**
   2. **The lamb was selected to die.**

*“The next day he saw Jesus coming to him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!”* **John 1:29**

*“Like a lamb that is led to slaughter, and like a sheep that is silent before its shearer, so He did not open His mouth.”* **Isaiah 53:7b**

1. **The SUPERIORITY of the Lamb (v. 4-5a)**
   1. ***“Without blemish”* –picture of Christ**

*“knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things….. but with the precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ. For He was foreknown before the foundation of the world….”* **I Peter 1:18-19**

* 1. **Jesus is God’s man and man’s God. (100% human, 100% divine)**
  2. **Jesus could not sin!**

*“for the ruler of the world is coming, and he has nothing in Me.”* **John 14:30**

*“and having been made perfect, He became to all those who obey Him the source of eternal salvation”* **Hebrews 5:9**

**“***but one who has been tempted in all things* *as we are, yet without sin.”* **Hebrews 4:15**

*“who committed not sin, nor was any deceit found in His mouth; and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting Himself to Him who judges righteously; and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you are healed.”* **I Peter 2:22-24**

1. **The SIGNIFICANCE of the Lamb (v. 5b-11)**
   1. **The lamb was to die in fullness of its strength. (a year old)**
   2. **The lamb was to be killed at “twilight”. (v. 6)**
   3. **The lamb was to be completely burnt. (v. 8-10)**
      1. **No trace left!**

*“The Jews therefore, because it was the day of preparation, so that the bodies should not remain on the cross on the Sabbath, asked Pilate that their legs be broken, and that they might be taken away.”* **John 19:31**

1. **The SALVATION of the Lamb (v. 12-14)**
   1. **It is marked by the application of the blood (v. 7)**
   2. **The blood makes the difference!**

*“without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.”* **Hebrews 9:22**

**By faith, have you applied the blood of the Lamb to the doorposts of your heart?**