



EXODUS

STUDY FOUR EXODUS 11:1-13:16

As a group read through the entire Passover Narrative together – Exodus 11:1-13:16.

1) Of all the ways God could bring final judgment on Egypt, he chooses the death of the firstborn son in every household. Why do you think God chooses the firstborn specifically? What significance did the firstborn hold in the ancient world, and how might that make this judgment especially devastating to Pharaoh and Egypt? (Remember also what Pharaoh did back in Exodus 1:15-22)

2) God is very specific – the type of lamb, the timing, how it's eaten, what's done with the blood. Why do you think God cared about these details rather than just telling them "sacrifice a lamb and you'll be spared"?

3) God makes a clear distinction between Israel and Egypt that night, but it isn't because Israel earned it. It's because of the blood on the door. What does this tell us about how God's judgment and mercy work together?

4) Read 1 Peter 1:18-19. Why does Peter reach for the image of a "lamb without blemish or defect" to describe what Jesus did? What was it about the Passover lamb that made it the right picture?

5) Read Romans 3:23-26. In Exodus, blood on the door turned away judgment. Paul uses similar sacrificial language for Jesus' death. What is Paul saying actually happens when someone trusts in Jesus' blood?

6) Read John 19:31-36. John points out a detail about Jesus' body on the cross and directly connects it to a rule about the Passover lamb (Exodus 12:46). Why does John think this detail matters enough to highlight?

7) Several places in the New Testament refer to Jesus as the Lamb. Read John 1:29, 1 Corinthians 5:7, Revelation 5:6-13 (there are many more in Revelation). If Jesus is the true and final Passover lamb, what does that mean is now finished, and what does it call us to actually do in response?



NEXT WEEK

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