

Our Passover Lamb

When Moses and Aaron delivered the message to Pharaoh, “Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, ‘Let my people go,’” the king of Egypt refused. “Who is the LORD, that I should obey his voice and let Israel go? I do not know the LORD, and moreover, I will _____ let Israel go” (Exo 5:1-2)

After 9 terrible plagues, Pharaoh’s heart was still hard. So the LORD said to Moses, “Yet one plague more I will bring upon Pharaoh and upon Egypt. Afterward he will let you go from here... About midnight I will go out in the midst of Egypt, and every firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die” (Exo 11:1, 4-5).

Only **one thing** could be done to avoid this plague:

“Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a _____... you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall _____ their lambs at twilight.

Then they shall take some of the _____ and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it... The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will _____ you...” (Exo 12:3-13)

All who believed God’s warning and did what he commanded were spared from this terrible plague.

But what does this have to do with our search for our King? Notice what the apostle Paul wrote to Christians in **1 Corinthians 5:7**: “For _____, our _____ lamb, has been _____.”

What does that mean? Let’s talk about it...



For Class & Family Discussion:

- We’re told many times in Exodus that Pharaoh had a “hard” heart. What does that mean? What does it look like?
- What were the nine plagues that came before the final plague?
- Notice God’s instructions in **Exodus 12:24-27**. In what way was this just the start of something really significant for the descendants of Abraham? Notice also **Matthew 26:17-29**. What were Jesus and his apostles observing on the night of his betrayal and arrest?
- We heard what Paul wrote in **1 Corinthians 5:7**, but what is the context? Why did he make this statement? Let’s read **1 Corinthians 5:1-8** together.
 - In what way is Christ “our” Passover lamb?
 - What’s the connection for Christians between Jesus as our Passover lamb and the way we, as a church, are expected to live?

