



2023
REFORMED
NEW COVENANT

BIBLICAL
PASSOVER

THE BIBLICAL PASSOVER HAGADAH

2023

EXPLANATION

What is actually “commanded” is fairly simple.

1. Clean your home of “leaven” (and keep it clean for 7 days)

[Exo 12:15](#) Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away **leaven** out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel.

[Exo 13:7](#) Unleavened bread shall be eaten seven days; and there shall no leavened bread be seen with thee, neither shall there be **leaven** seen with thee in all thy quarters.

2. Slaughter a lamb

[Exo 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:

[Exo 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**.

[Exo 12:21](#) Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, Draw out and take you a **lamb** according to your families, and kill the passover.

[Exo 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.

[Exo 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.

[Exo 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.

[Exo 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. Roast the Lamb over fire
2. Ask the question
3. Eat the lamb
4. Don't leave your home until morning (Sabbath)

It is noted in the New Testament practice, that the meal was followed with a “hymn”, and they did “go out” to the “Mount of Olives” afterwards, but the excursion is precisely when, the events of Christ’s execution began. (the death angel came, and Christ was given over to it).

Purging the home of “leaven” means just that. You simply “remove” all the “leaven” from the home. (Clean it out so that none remain). Modern food products contain tons of “yeast” in them, even in products where it is not really necessary. So you will find “yeast” listed on the “ingredients label” of all kinds of things that are not “leavened bread”.(Including most “snack foods”). All that is typically thrown away, or stored “off property” away from the home, prior to the “Passover” meal. A ritual “burning of the yeast” is done prior to the meal.

Because of the physical logistics of what is instructed in the “Passover”, some “adaptations” to modern life, have to be made. The instruction to physically take “a lamb” (which is precisely the right size to feed one household) is a logistical impossibility for most people in modern societies to “literally” follow. For the simple fact that most people do not live in regions where there are “flocks” of “lambs” to “pick on from” and have “slaughtered”. Modern people go to “grocery stores” and “pick meat” from a “meat department” where it has already been “butchered” and placed on Styrofoam, and wrapped in cellophane. And there is no “blood” from the butchering process “left over”, to “put on your door”. Plus modern homes usually contain only a “nuclear family” at best, and as such would be “challenged” to eat an entire butchered lamb on their own, with little or no “left-overs”.

The principle of application however, can easily address these problems. What can be done, should be done. And what can't be done, should be done, as closely as possible, in whatever way, it can. And that is as simple, as it can be reduced, back to the original practice.

For example, you might not be able to “select a lamb”, but you can “select a lamb chop” or a “leg of lamb” or a “rack of lamb”. If there is “no lamb”, then a sacrificial meat of similar nature can be “selected”. Such as “beef”. But “lamb” should be the preference, if available, because that is what was commanded in the “memorial”.

**HOW TO OBSERVE A “BIBLICAL” PASSOVER
AND INSTITUTION OF THE “NEW TESTAMENT”**

1. PREPARE THE HOME

Go through the cupboards and pantry, look for “bread” and “snack foods” that contain “yeast”.

Throw them away, or alternately, ritualistically, burn the yeast in a separate fire.

2. ROAST LAMB OVER FIRE (Roast in Oven if not possible)

3. SET THE TABLE (WHEN SEATED, ASK THE QUESTION)

4. READ THE PASSOVER SCRIPTURES

(Selections provided in the texts that follow)

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5. EAT PASSOVER DINNER

After Dinner

6. CONCLUDE WITH “THE REMEMBRANCE” (THE PASSOVER LAMB)

7. CLOSE WITH HYMN (OR SAYINGS)

(PRAYER AND TALK)

8. AFTER SEDER ACTIVITIES (REMAIN IN HOME TILL “A.M.” MORNING)

ANTICIPATE GOD TO MOVE - (IT IS A “PASSOVER”)

THE PASSOVER MEAL



(1st Reader)

Deu 6:4

THE GREATEST COMMAND

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD: And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

(2nd Reader)

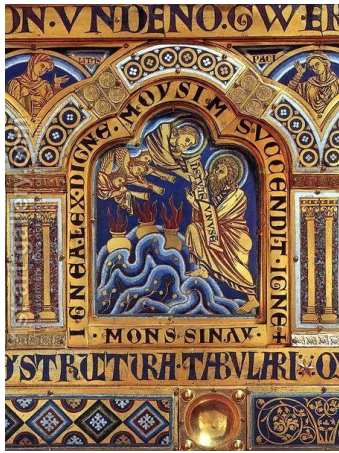
And it shall come to pass that your child will ask you, "What do you mean by this service?" And you shall tell him: "With a mighty hand, God took us out of Egypt..." (Deut. 6:20-23)

(2nd Reader)

BONDAGE IN SLAVERY

Exo 12:40

Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, was four hundred and thirty years. And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt. It is a night to be much observed unto the LORD for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: this is that night of the LORD to be observed of all the children of Israel in their generations. And the LORD said unto Moses and Aaron, This is the ordinance of the passover: There shall no stranger eat thereof:



THE GIVING OF PASSOVER

(2nd Reader-Continued)

Exo 12:46

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. All the congregation of Israel shall keep it.

(1st Reader)

Exo 12:50

Thus did all the children of Israel; as the LORD commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they. And it came to pass the selfsame day, that the LORD did bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt by their armies.

(3rd Reader)

Exo 12:1

And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you. 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:

(2nd Reader)

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

(3rd Reader)

Exo 12:10

And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire. 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.

Exo 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. 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. And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to the LORD throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever.



THE REMOVAL OF LEAVENED BREAD

(1st Reader)

Exo 12:15

Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel. And in the first day there shall be an holy convocation, and in the seventh day there shall be an holy convocation to you; no manner of work shall be done in them, save that which every man must eat, that only may be done of you. And ye shall observe the feast of unleavened bread; for in this selfsame day have I brought your armies out of the land of Egypt: therefore shall ye observe this day in your generations by an ordinance for ever.

(3rd Reader)

Exo 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. Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, even that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a stranger, or born in the land. Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread.



APPLICATION OF THE BLOOD TO THE DOOR

(2nd Reader)

EXO 12:21

Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, Draw out and take you a lamb according to your families, and kill the passover. 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. 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. And ye shall observe this thing for an ordinance to thee and to thy sons for ever.

(1st Reader)

EXO 12:25

And it shall come to pass, when ye be come to the land which the LORD will give you, according as he hath promised, that ye shall keep this service. And it shall come to pass, when your children shall say unto you, What mean ye by this service? 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.



PASSOVER MIDNIGHT

(3rd Reader)

Exo 12:28

And the children of Israel went away, and did as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they. 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. And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt; for there was not a house where there was not one dead. And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, Rise up, and get you forth from among my people, both ye and the children of Israel; and go, serve the LORD, as ye have said.

(2nd Reader)

Exo 12:32

Also take your flocks and your herds, as ye have said, and be gone; and bless me also. And the Egyptians were urgent upon the people, that they might send them out of the land in haste; for they said, We be all dead men. And the people took their dough before it was leavened, their kneadingtroughs being bound up in their clothes upon their shoulders. And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they borrowed of the Egyptians jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment: 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.

(1st Reader)

Exo 12:37

And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand on foot that were men, beside children. And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, even very much cattle. And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought forth out of Egypt, for it was not leavened; because they were thrust out of Egypt, and could not tarry, neither had they prepared for themselves any victual.

AFTER CONCLUSION OF THE DINNER

PASSOVER AND THE NEW COVENANT The Cup of Wine, and the Unleavened Bread (Matzah)

Luke 22:14-20

(1st Reader)

And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him. And he said unto them, *I have desired to eat this passover with you ... For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God.* And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, *Take this, and divide it among yourselves: For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come.* And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake *it*, and gave unto them,

EVERYONE: saying, *This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me.*

EVERYONE: Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, *This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.*

Amen.

THE SEVEN HYMNS OF REVELATION



Everyone

"Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come. "

"You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will, they existed and were created. "

"You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals,
for you were slaughtered, and by your blood you ransomed for God saints
from every tribe and language and people and nation;
you have made them to be a kingdom and priests serving our God, and they will reign on earth."

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might
and honor and glory and blessing!"

"To the one seated on the throne, and to the Lamb, be blessing and honor and glory and might
forever and ever!"

"Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to
our God forever and ever! Amen."

[HYMN 1: REVELATION 4.8, HYMN 2: REVELATION 4.10-11, HYMN 3: REVELATION 5.8, 9, HYMN
4: REVELATION 5.11, 12, HYMN 5: REVELATION 5.13, 14, HYMN 6: REVELATION 7.9, 10 , HYMN
7: REVELATION 7.11, 12]



THE SONG OF MOSES

PSALM 136

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his gracious love is everlasting.
Give thanks to the Lord God, for his gracious love is everlasting.
Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his gracious love is everlasting—

To the one who alone does great and wondrous things, for his gracious love is everlasting—
to the one who by wisdom made the heavens, for his gracious love is everlasting—
to the one who spread out the earth over the waters, for his gracious love is everlasting—
to the one who made the great lights, for his gracious love is everlasting—

the sun to illumine the day, for his gracious love is everlasting—
and the moon and stars to illumine the night, for his gracious love is everlasting—
to the one who struck the firstborn of Egypt, for his gracious love is everlasting—
and brought Israel out from among them, for his gracious love is everlasting—

with a strong hand and an active arm, for his gracious love is everlasting.
To the one who split the Red Sea in two for his gracious love is everlasting—
and made Israel pass through the middle of it, for his gracious love is everlasting—
and cast Pharaoh and his armies into the Red Sea, for his gracious love is everlasting.

To the one who led his people into the wilderness, for his gracious love is everlasting—
to the one who struck down great kings, for his gracious love is everlasting—
and killed famous kings, for his gracious love is everlasting—
including Sihon king of the Amorites, for his gracious love is everlasting—

and Og king of Bashan, for his gracious love is everlasting—
and gave their land as an inheritance, for his gracious love is everlasting—
to Israel his servant as a possession, for his gracious love is everlasting—
He it is who remembered us in our lowly circumstances, for his gracious love is everlasting—

and rescued us from our enemies, for his gracious love is everlasting.

He gives food to all creatures, for his gracious love is everlasting.
Give thanks to the God of Heaven, for his gracious love is everlasting.

BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

(1st Reader)

Hebrews 12:22-25

...you have come to mount Zion, and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of messengers, To the general assembly and called out of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, And to Yeshua the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than *that of* Abel. See that, you refuse not him, that speaks now to you.

AMEN

PRAYER TIME – RECEIVE WORDS IN PRAYER

ANTICIPATE GOD WILL MOVE...

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(REMAIN IN THE HOME UNTIL MORNING)