

What is Passover?

Passover is a Feast that God Himself Commanded Israel (and all those who believe upon Him) to observe (keep) **forever**...

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying,

*2 **This month shall be unto you the beginning of months:** it shall be the first month of the year to you.*

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:

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.

5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats:

*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.***

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.

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

9 Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast with fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof.

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.

11 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.

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.

13 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.

*14 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.***

Ex 12:1-14

To study the full accounts of How Jesus Christ died for our sins and rose again three days later, check out the links below...

Luke chapters 22-24...

Luke 22 https://t.me/BibleStudyBookof_Luke/452

Luke 23 https://t.me/BibleStudyBookof_Luke/454

Luke 24 https://t.me/BibleStudyBookof_Luke/456

Mark chapters 14-16...

Mark 14 https://t.me/BibleStudyBooks_Mark/18

Mark 15 https://t.me/BibleStudyBooks_Mark/19

Mark 16 https://t.me/BibleStudyBooks_Mark/20

So then, because Jesus has already died for us (once and for all – Heb 10:10) we are no longer to sacrifice blood animals. Therefore, we keep the Passover as Jesus told us to...

14 And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him.

15 And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer:

16 For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God.

17 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, Take this, and divide it among yourselves:

18 For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come.

*19 And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: **this do in remembrance of me.***

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

Luke 22:14-20

We observe Communion now, as **Jesus commanded us to do** in remembrance of His great sacrifice for us on the Cross...

21 For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:

22 Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth:

23 Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously:

*24 Who **his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.***

25 For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your soul

1 Peter 2:21-25

Consider the Scripture Peter was quoting from, which describes the great Sacrifice(s) of Jesus Christ for our sins...

1 Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?

2 For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him.

3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

4 Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

*5 **But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.***

6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

*8 He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: **for the transgression of my people was he stricken.***

9 And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth.

10 Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

*11 **He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.***

12 Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Isa 53 [to study this chapter in full: https://t.me/BibleStudyBooks_Isaiah/1386]

Along with keeping Communion at the Feasts Days [learn more about the **Feast Days of Israel** <https://t.me/BibleStudyTruth/1001> and **Should We Celebrate the Feast Days** <https://t.me/BibleStudyDownload/329> and **Biblical Feasts Parallel with the Gestation of a Baby** <https://t.me/BibleStudyDownload/402> with these links] we should also remember Paul's admonition...

*7 Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even **Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:***

*8 Therefore **let us keep the feast**, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but **with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.***

1 Cor 5:7-8 [to study this chapter in full:]

We should remember that being a Christian isn't a game. We can't pretend to love God. He wants our heartfelt love and totally loyalty. He wants us to study His Word (learn of Him, Mth 11:29) and strive to obey it from the heart. Kick out the 'leaven' of sin and malice in our hearts and serve Him in sincerity *and* truth (John 4:23-24). Paul also taught us how to how he was taught to keep the Passover...

23 *For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread:*

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**.*

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**.*

26 *For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, **ye do shew the Lord's death till he come**.*

27 *Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.*

28 *But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.*

29 *For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.*

30 *For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep.*

1 Cor 11:23-30 [to study this chapter in full: https://t.me/BibleStudyBooks_Corinthians/25]

To learn what it means to take Communion 'unworthily' check out this study on **What is Unworthily** <https://t.me/BibleStudyDownload/396>].

Let's close with a few beautiful reminders...

*These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: **but be of good cheer** [cheer = courage, #2293]; **I have overcome the world**.*

John 16:33

There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked.

Isa 48:22, Isa 57:21

3 *Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.*

4 *Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength:*

Isa 26:3-4

AMEN.