

LIFE Group Guide
Blood
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Exodus 12:1-13



Prayer Request: Thank God the Father for the sacrifice of Christ, our Passover Lamb. Pray for your LIFE Group, that you would grow in reverence and love for God. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your discussion.

Icebreaker Question(s): Who or what was worshipped in your home growing up?

Read Exodus 12:1-13:

12 The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, ²“This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household. ⁴And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. ⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, ⁶and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight.

⁷“Then they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. ⁸They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. ⁹Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. ¹⁰And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD's Passover. ¹²For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. ¹³The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt.

Sermon Outline:

Three things God wants you to know:

1. I Am the LORD (Exodus 3:2, 14, 12:12)
2. I Will Execute Judgments (Exodus 12:12)
3. I Will Pass Over You (Exodus 11:4-5, 12:7, 13)

Discussion Questions:

1. As you heard the word of God preached or read, what did the Holy Spirit remind you of, challenge you with, convict you of, or encourage you in? Did you have any questions or was anything unclear?
2. What religious/cultural environment did Moses grow up in? In what ways was his environment similar to our own world and culture today?
3. Read Exodus 3:13-15. How does Moses come to know the LORD? Who does the LORD reveal himself to be? What is the significance of the LORD's revelation of his own name?
4. Read Exodus 12:12. What does the LORD promise to do? Upon whom is He executing judgment? Why does he execute the particular judgments/plagues that he does? What do these judgments reveal about the LORD, and his response to evil, especially idolatry? What are the implications for us?
5. Read Exodus 12:1-13. What instructions does the LORD give to the people of Israel? What are they to do to prepare for His coming judgment? On the night of the Passover, why does God's judgment "pass over" certain houses?
6. Read I Corinthians 5:7. Why is Jesus called our Passover Lamb? How does the blood of Jesus cover us in the time of divine judgment? How is the "blood of Christ" applied to a person's life today?
7. Discuss as a LIFE Group: Who does your LIFE Group know that is not yet covered by Christ's blood? How can your LIFE Group share the good news of Christ Jesus with them?

Prayer: With the saints in heaven, we pray: "Worthy are you, O Lord, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

With the angels in heaven, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, we proclaim: "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

With every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, we proclaim, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

Amen! *(Adapted from Revelation 5:9-14).*