

Palm Sunday
What is the Passover?
Luke 22:7-23

“I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer.”

Luke 22:15

Main Point: Jesus fulfills once and for all the role of the Passover Lamb.

“Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed.”

Luke 22:7

The Command:

“Tell 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.”

Exodus 12:3

The Three Great Feasts

- Unleavened Bread/Passover- celebrates the miracle of being “passed over” in the plague of the first born in Egypt.
- Feast of Weeks- falls seven weeks after the first barley and cereal grain harvest; a thanksgiving of harvest.
- Feast of Tabernacles (also known as the Feast of Booths)- the Jewish people lived in huts or booths for seven days to remember that Israel lived in temporary dwellings after the exodus.

Requirements of the lamb

1. Without blemish (Exodus 12:5)
2. A year-old male (Exodus 12:5)
3. Killed at twilight on the 14th day (Ex. 12:6)

“The next day he (John the Baptist) saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, ‘Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!’”

John 1:29

The Four Cups of Wine

1. The cup of sanctification- remembering the words of Exodus 6:6- “I will bring you out and (set you apart)...”
2. The cup of plagues- symbolizing the ten plagues God brought upon the Egyptians (Exodus 7:14-12:51).
3. The cup of redemption- remembering God’s promise to redeem His people (Exodus 6:6). This is the cup Jesus lifts when He states this is the New Covenant in His blood (Lk. 22:20).
4. The cup of praise- praising God that He, “...will take you for My people.” (Exodus 6:7). This is also the cup that Jesus says, “I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father’s kingdom.” (Matt 26:29).

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Next week: Easter Sunday,

God’s Love...and Those Who Believe- John 3:16