Passover and the Lord's Supper

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all right Exodus chapter 12 I would like

to I know I've said it several times

here before about the Passover and the

Lord's Supper which we'll observe today

the end of our service and that the

Passover was probably the first Lord's

Supper and you just sort of looked at me

uh-huh well I want to go into a little

bit in depth with this today and I'm I'm

not going to go way long I know better

to do that two Sundays in a row but I'II

make as quick as possible but I do want

to cover some things that are very

interesting in comparison to the

Passover and to the Lord's Supper that

maybe you know or don't know or maybe

it's a refresher to a lot of you but I

want to begin reading in verse 1 of

exodus chapter 12 and the Lord spake

unto Moses and Aaron at the land of

Egypt saying this month shall be unto

you a beginning two months it shall be

the first month of the year to you speak you into the congregation of Israel saying in the tenth day of this month they shall take to them everyman and lamb according to the house of their fathers a lamb for a house and if the household be too little for lamb let him and his neighbor nix 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 your lamb shall be without blemish a male of the first year you shall take it out from the sheep and from the goats and you 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 the blood and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper doorpost of the houses wherein they shall eat it and they shall eat the flesh in that night roast with fire and unleavened bread with bitter herbs they shall eat it eat not of it raw nor sodden at all with water but roast with fire his head with his legs and with the prudence of thereof and you shall not let nothing of it

remain until morning and that which remaineth of it until the morning you shall burn with fire and thus shall you eat it with your loins girded your shoes on your feet and your staff in your hand and you shall eat it in haste it is the Lord's Passover 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 against all the gods of Egypt will I execute judgment I am the Lord and the blood shall be to you for a token upon the house where you are and when I see the Blood I will pass over you and the plug shall not be upon you to destroy you when I smite the land of Egypt and this day shall be unto you for memorial and you shall keep it a feast to the Lord throughout your generations you shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever let's go to the Lord in prayer father as we study your word this morning or as we we talk about the Passover that that that saved Israel and that dreadful day and the Lamb that was slain lord help us to just focus on the precious Lamb of God lord help me as I speak this morning to give me the words to say to give me

the strength to to do and to say what you'd have me to do or die pray that you would open our ears to hear and lord help us to be doers of the word that we hear this morning in Jesus name I pray amen

can you hear me all right okay they're gonna get that clear oh I don't know if any maybe you're very familiar with this passage of Scripture and and what \$\#39;s going on but all of you have seen the TV movie about the ten commandments and where Moses led the children of Israel out of Egypt right and all the plagues that came and there was ten plagues and they were dreadful and and each time Moses would go and and he said we're going to send the God going to send a plague if you don't let my people go and Pharaoh would harden his heart and he wouldn't let him go and he come up all the way to this ninth plague the one before this plague the tenth plague and it was three days of darkness throughout all of Egypt that \$\#39\$;s important remember that all these things I'm telling you are key things that I want you to remember about the Passover and the Lord's Passover you see that

several times the Lord's Passover so this ninth plague came and there are three days of darkness and back in chapter 10 Moses goes before Pharaoh again it says will you let my people go and he's no I'm not letting them go and and Moses and ten and eleven chapter 10 11 leaves mad leaves out of out of Pharaoh's Palace mad and in a hurry because Pharaoh won't let him go and then God gives Moses this command and says this is what I want you to do and I promise you Pharaoh is going to let you go and not only is he going to let you go he's going to demand that you go God's got a way of getting his way done doesn't he he didn't say okay you can go he's going to tell you get out I don't want to see you anymore and he's telling Moses says he said after this plague this is the most fearful dreaded it was an awful time and what does he say about the plague what is it that the that the firstborn of every family would die the firstborn son would die this night the firstborn of all their animals would die there was a lot of death there there was millions of people living in Egypt at this time can you imagine how many

firstborn there was how many animals there was that died this night there was definitely crying and wailing in the streets and all the rest it was a terrible sight I don't think we really can imagine well the first one died okay could you imagine if we just turned on the news one night and at midnight we just hear the firstborn of all the nation the United States had died that \$439;d be great turmoil wouldn't it it's probably not quite as big as the United States but that would be a big deal I mean we're making a huge deal about a piece of Interstate fallen I mean that \$\#39\$;s making national news imagine if the firstborn died how awful that would be well this is what came and God promised it was good he send in his judgment because Pharaoh and the people of Egypt the Egyptians had kept his chosen people Israel in Bondi's and kept him as slaves and he told him he said go out and and collect all this owed to you get ready because they are going to let you go they're going to demand you leave and you will be freed from slavery he says here in the in the 1st or 2nd verse he

says this month she'II be a beginning of months it shall be the first month of the year for you this was something new to Israel this is a new beginning in a Jewish nation the Jewish nation in the old testament they had two calendars that a civil calendar and that that year began in our september/october it was the beginning of a new year you've heard the Feast of Trumpets the Day of Atonement I know you've heard of that and in the Feast of Tabernacles they celebrated all this on the new year this was the the the civil calendar would that they followed and this was what they would do on those days but this was something God was introducing new to him this was a new religious calendar it began in March and April of our year and the beginning of it was the beginning of a religious leader it was called the **Passover** it was start out with a Passover the the beginning of the new year was focused on the Feast of Trumpets the Day of Atonement and the Feast of Tabernacles but this beginning of this religious year just on the Passover and one key thing a

little lamb without blemish that \$\#39\$;s important that \$\#39\$; important for you to know that \$439;s important for you to understand he tells them on and verse one through five as we read he said on the tenth day of the month the lamb would be chosen and examined on the tenth day it was carefully watched and and for four days they were to make sure he met all the requirements of God he said you'll choose a lamb without blemish a male of the first year and she'II take it from either sheep and from the goats and you shall keep it to the fourteenth day now those of you have raised cattle and all the rest a minute you get ready to use something and I know they take them out from the fields whether or not eating onions and they feed them grain for a while right am i right landing thereon you feed them grain for a while so they don't taste bad so you're familiar with choosing out the very best that you're going to use but they were choosing out a very best for a very specific purpose and not only did it have a good purpose that they would have this Passover meal that that everyone in the family and in each

father of each household was responsible to go out and gather this sheep this little lamb and together the lamb and to inspect it and to make sure that it was without spot without blemish that it was met all the requirements that God had said and he brought this lamb into the family and for four days the family got to know this lamb could you imagine a little kids a little baby lamb playing playing with the lamb they got to love this little lamb but this lamb had a particular purpose on the 14th day God said you that all the Saints all the the congregation of Israel would come and they would slay all the little lambs on the 14th day these are important numbers and and significant as we talk about the Lord's Supper he said they would shed they would slay the lamb and and he told how they would cook it they weren't to boil it because if you bought it if you know you boil you lose some of the the flesh of the meat would come off of the bone and all the way that God said no you know you're going to roast it hold all together no bronze would be broken in the lamb and this is the way God demanded they do and

they said when you when you slay the lamb you'Il take the blood and you're going to put it on the if this was a doorpost you would put it on the doorpost of each side and up on the top and you'd put the door the blood on the door of your house for your family and if you are a poor family and one enough you could go to your neighbors family and join them and you could go in and have the Passover with him he says the families were to eat all the lamb none was to be left if anything was left it was to be burned but he noticed how he says here that when you eat this meal in verse 11 he says this you shall eat it with your loins girded and your shoes on your feet and your staff in your hand and you shall eat it in haste it is the Lord's Passover that's pretty interesting there in it if you wonder well why did he put that in there why did he say that what was that significant about go back to what God promised Moses I'm going to send a plague upon Egypt and there's a demand you leave immediately he said be ready your freedom is coming you'II no longer be in slavery you'II no longer be in

bondage get your shoes on your feet to gird your loins means that the men would take their gowns and pull them up doing the legs and time because if they were hanging low they couldn't run you hear that a lot in Scripture where they were gird your loins for battle and they would run he says Lord says get ready your your redemption is coming that \$\#39\$;s good stuff I can't wholly we can get the rest of it get ready redemptions come and gird your loins be ready be ready okay I got to go on so I can get to that part Nate promises in verse till 12 he says God promises the judgment only through death would they be saved not the life of the Lamb but the death of the Lamb he said I must into play it's going to destroy every firstborn all the cattle first one of the cattle and the only way you will be spared is by death the death of a lamb without blemish and as you eat this lamb and the blood is on your doorpost I want you to think about this as you hear the crying and the weeping in the streets and the total chaos going on while you're safe in your homes remember is the blood the blood on your

doorpost that saved you and kept you from my judgment it's the Lord's Passover blocka preached this is wanting - this is good God's mercy was applied through the blood to be effective the blood had to be applied personally it wasn't that the father could say to his servant or to his young son or whatever hey go get the lamb and shed his blood and put it on the doorpost like God said no it was the daddy's responsible there's good fathers days message it was the daddy's responsibility for the family not the momma's not the grandparents I'm on my soapbox I better move on but it was the daddies responsibility to apply this blood it had to be a personal thing for his family and he was - to do this as God says and then God said I love this part in verse 13 if you'll do as I have commanded you if you'II do what I have said when I see the Blood I will pass over you when I see the Blood I will pass over you get that everybody's I don't like blood and there's almost killing in the Old Testament all is for a good reason

see all this was a picture of something to come all this what all this was a type of something that would come that one day and then he tells them in verse 14 and said this being memorial for the rest of this age that you're a constant reminder to Israel of God's deliverance from the bondage of Egypt he said I want you to observe the Passover and he goes on to answer there and talks about the bitter herbs to remind them of the bitter bondage that they serve in slavery and Egypt of unleavened bread because living and I don't have time to go into all this but leaven is a symbol of sin that had to be unleavened bread and I want you to do this every year so every year on this 14th day of the first month of this religious year they observed the Passover and many of them still do it today many of them that don't get the picture still do it today so that \$\#39\$; the Passover that \$\#39\$; the Jewish Passover that \$\#39\$; what they observe it says so what does this mean to us when in the New Testament the word redeemed in Redemption which is what we are right I am redeemed I love that song I am reading I read Enoch and see but maybe

you can sing that for us one day David what a beautiful song see we got a story we can tell that angels don't know about they haven't been redeemed like we have redeemed leaves you you have been purchased you have been bought with a price you have been brought out of bondage you've been bought out of slavery I am redeemed all through the New Testament it tells us about that in Corinthians 5:7 it says purge out Paul tells us purge out therefore the old leaven that you may be a new lump as you as you are unleavened for even Christ our Passover sacrificed for us if hairs compares Christ is our Passover look at these comparisons I went over the if you remember what I talked about just a few minutes ago about the Passover on the tenth day the lamb would be chosen and examined do you remember the story of the crucifixion of Christ how he was they captured him as a wooden got him out of the Garden of Gethsemane as he prayed but even days before that several days before that Jesus was also questioned repeatedly why his enemy or the high priest of that time the sad Eid

Rijn would question him looking for him to say something wrong where they might accuse him of sin but they questioned them in question we could not find any fault in him pretty interesting ten days before the Passover they were to find a lamb without spot without blemish even that the Jewish leaders at that time were questioning the Lamb of God but they couldn't find no fault in him and all of his question and test by the enemies he passed everyone he knew no sin in Corinthians 2nd Corinthians 5:21 he did no sin 1st Peter 2:22 in him was no sin found first John 3:5 he was the perfect Lamb of God he was without blemish he without without a delt met all the requirements of the Father in heaven as he said when he when he come out of the water and his baptized in the Holy Spirit descended on him like a dove and then it's a mount of Transfiguration where he told all the disciples this is my beloved son hear ye him this is my in whom I am well pleased this is my beloved Son in whom I work he met all the demands of a holy God the men on earth could find no fault in him he was a lamb without spot without

blemish in Genesis 22 7 when a brand took Isaac on the mountain to offer him Isaac looked at his father and this is another picture of Christ father where \$\#39\$; the lamb where \$\#39\$; the lamb father they presented but God won't supply a lamb I'm sorry I kid him that's good stuff that hits me right here God will supply a lamb so for the next six hundred years having a memory lapse here Israel look for a lamb they look for a messiah and then in John 1:29 John the Baptist answered their question when he saw Jesus coming down to be baptized he says behold the lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world he answered their question Abraham said God comes from prior lamb John the Baptist says behold the lamb Oh God that ought to just make you just excited this morning that God supplied the lamb God supplied our Redemption he provided the way on the 14th day the lamb was to be slain in the evening listen this interesting if you remember the story of Christ around noon he had been questioned by the Sanhedrin brought before Pilate and alder as my dad used to call him

kangaroo courts they could find no fault

in him so they crucified him and around there has he hung on the cross you remember what I said the ninth plague darkness covered all of Egypt you know what happened around noon today Jesus hung on the cross darkness covered the whole area what a picture years and years before the Passover perfect picture of a lamb to come how darkness would cover the cross and all of Jerusalem that day around noon as he hung on the cross and darkness on to about three o' clock and around three o' clock that day he cried it is finished it is finished salvation is complete the perfect Lamb of God had sacrificed his blood for all the world he shed his blood for you and me and he cried on the cross it is finished it is complete when we accept Jesus as our personal Savior he liberate süss from the bondage of sin through salvation and when he does that it's finished people it is finished there's nothing you can add to it nothing you can take away from it we've been talking about once a go it is finished because of what Christ did the perfect Lamb of God did on the cross

God's mercy was applied to them when he saw the blood on the door hosts God mercy is applied to us as the blood is applied on our hearts personally and as as he comes to the if you go to Luke 22 and I'II close with this and I won't read the whole thing but you know the story of where Jesus is coming into town and he tells us his disciples tell him it says master were this is the time of the Passover we're going to celebrate the Passover where are we going to have it and Jesus tells them go to the upper or go to the into town find a man and tell him the master hath need of your room this is you can read it in several the Gospels in Luke 22 as one I'm in verse 7 through 22 so they go and they find the man and they prepare the room and they prepare the Passover in the guest chambers verse 13 then they went and found as he said unto them and they made ready the Passover verse 14 when the hour was come he sat down with his 12 apostles with him and he said unto them with desire I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer see Jesus was telling him with great

desire this Passover not that we'd come together as a family and eat this lamb but that didn't it in this lamb and this Passover is the fulfillment of me of what I have come for to die on the cross this was all a symbol of what I'm doing here today and Jesus says I have looked forward to this day when I would give myself for the sins of the whole world the Bible tells us who for the joy in derd the cross Christ wasn't made to go the cross he willingly went to the cross and died for your sins and for mine with great desire I have desired to pass over before our selves who I saying to you I will not anymore eat thereof until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God one little side note there that \$\#39\$;s talking about the marriage supper of the lamb the marriage supper of the lamb one day Christ will come the trumpet will sound the dead in Christ will rise and those who alive in red will caught up in the air with him to meet the Lord in the air now it's just beautiful picture in Revelation we'II talk about that one day but the marriage supper glamour will sit around the table with Jesus and share a meal one more time with him in heaven

but he says I'm not going to do it till it be fulfilled in the kingdom that \$\#39\$;s what he's talking about there but as we begin our communion service to our Lord's Supper he said where I send you I will not eat any more thereof until before the kingdom of God he took the cup and gave thanks and said take this and divide it among yourselves for I send you I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God shall come the Passover was all a picture was all typed but deacons will come Robin and David if you come and Robin I guess you're gonna play some music we're going to go into our Lord's Supper our communion service and Paul tells us in Corinthians that we should examine ourselves that we have no grudge or hold anything against any of our brothers or sisters in Christ any unconfessed sins and he warns us this if we do that then then we're in danger of this too and what he's saying is that you're going to we're getting ready to break bread and and drink this juice is the symbol of Christ's body which was broken and his blood was shed but yet you're holding a grudge or yes you've

got some kind of unconfessed sin in your life the perfect lanham of God had died for your sins and yet you're living like you should like you shouldn't and you want to come and he said you're in danger that's why some sit or sick he says Paul Paul says why some are sick get some sleep so at this time I would like for it's just to bow quietly is robbing please and take a moment to just this is your time one time between you and the Lord Lord is there anything in my life in my heart that I need to make clear before I partake of this supper