

The Feasts of Israel

The Command to Israel, The illustration of Christ, The Application for the Christian

Part 2

Scripture reading Hebrews 9:24-28

Intro:

As I pondered over writing the introduction of this message, I noted the verse highlighted in my open bible on the desk as I was working, and I was reminded again of how important the decisions in this life are for eternity, the verse I saw read;

...it is appointed for men to die once,

Part of Hebrews 9:27

And I thought of how so many people take the choices and decisions of this life so for granted, choices and decisions that will decide their eternity. It is almost like the fact that we will all die, has somehow become a mundane comfort to most of mankind, we all must die, and that's it, that's where it ends for their thinking. Never really pondering what happens in the moments after or what happens next.

However the whole verse says;

And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment,

Before I became a Christian I remember thinking, what is the judgment? For what am I going to be judged? Because if there is a judgment, that means that there will be a judge, and if there is a judge for judgment then what are the things that I will be judged upon? Wrong things I have done, bad things I have committed, sins I have lived in? And if there is a judge judging wrong and bad things and sins in judgment and I am the one who is going to be judged, how will I fair in that judgment?

I had many of these questions before I got saved. Many questions about who is God and what will happen after this life is over. But sadly most people in this over drugged, over stimulated and desensitized nation thinks that death is just game over. It's a dirt nap; I'm a worm buffet and nothing more. In a conversation had last year with a man who believes in evolution, I asked him 'are you willing to gamble your eternity on the teaching of evolution?' 'That it is the only truth out there worth considering?' Thinking that 'when you die it's just over?'

As a lawyer in his home country and taking law here his sophisticated and intellectual response to this important life question was this ‘Yup’. How sad, how sad that this is what many believe about their death.

In many funerals now days they have what they call a celebration of life, they celebrate the life the person lived while they were alive, of all the things they did of all the things they accomplished and all the places they have been and lives they touched, but in this celebration of life they never really stop to think of what happened to them after they are dead. There are no questions to what happens after the last breath is taken. We know from the bible that there is a life after this one, one that is based entirely on the choices and decisions we make today. And that there is a God who has given us words that guide us and help us in these decisions, but they fall on so many deaf ears, the ears of ignorant and oblivious and uninterested people who no longer have questions to these very important life decisions.

In the last message, I had the introduction to this series I called ‘The Feasts of Israel’. In that message we looked at God’s plan for the world and the word He has given to mankind throughout the ages regarding the ‘whole plan of God’.

I stated that some of the most important signs He has given us are in these feasts of Israel, feast that Israel was to keep throughout the years, and throughout their generations.

One of the things I noted in that introduction was the Jewish year of 5781, and of how the orthodox Jew holds to this as the true calendar year of the world. Since the Jews do not believe or accept that Jesus is the messiah or that Jesus is Lord they do not accept our current 2021AD calendar year as marked and dated by the 'in the year of the Lord' AD notation, and therefore do not recognize the year notation that would depict Him as such.

Therefore the year 5781 of the world is us used by the religious sect of Israel. Not that this fact changes anything about the feasts but it does show the continual rejection of Christ by the Jews.

You see in the gospels during Jesus mock trial before Pilate, the Jews continually shouted 'Away with Him, away with Him, 'Crucify Him, crucify Him', and in the book of Matthew in chapter 27, reading from verse 22 it says

22 Pilate said to them, "What then shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said to him, "Let Him be crucified!"

23 Then the governor said, "Why, what evil has He done?" But they cried out all the more, saying, "Let Him be crucified!"

24 When Pilate saw that he could not prevail at all, but rather that a tumult was rising, he took water and washed his hands before the

multitude, saying, "I am innocent of the blood of this just Person. You see to it."

25 And all the people answered and said, "His blood be on us and on our children."

His blood be on us and our children, a statement that they shouted in rage. And I think they did not understand the ramifications of what they were saying. 'His blood be on us and on our children'. The statement implies that the guilt of shedding innocent blood will be on their account, on their hands, and upon the hands of their future generations, not just because of what they did at that point in time but of what they will teach their children for generations to come, that Jesus is was not the Christ, that Jesus was not the Messiah.

And so the rejection of Christ continues in the Jews, for over 2000 years this rejection has continued and will continue until the time comes of His return at the end of the tribulation as Zechariah says in 12:10

"And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on **Me** whom they pierced. Yes, they will mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn.

You see, all these things of God's plan, of death, the shedding of innocent blood, and the death of firstborn, all come together in this first feast of Israel the first feast that we want to look at today, the feast of Passover.

I. Passover

In the website titled 'Beyond Today' author Jerold Aust states the importance of this first feast well in saying;

The Passover is the first feast in the cycle. It represents the crucial first step in God's plan to save mankind—without which the other steps would not be possible.

As I noted in the introductory message, God's entire plan revolves around glory, the plan of God receiving glory from the free will members of His creation, men and angels who will give glory to an almighty God willingly and freely for this age and for the age to come.

But before we can look at the feast of The Passover and what it means to Israel, we need to go back in history a few thousand years, back to the time of Abram, and start with the man who was the first Jew.

Abram is the man with whom God would make an everlasting covenant with, a covenant in which God would draw a people out of the world for Himself, and through them show Himself to the world,

to bring Him glory; they would be His own special treasure in their own special land for His own special purpose.

Turn to Genesis chapter 12.

We will read of the first command and blessing Abram receives from the Lord, in Genesis chapter 12 starting in verse 1 through 7 we read;

1¹ Now the LORD had said to Abram: "Get out of your country, From your family And from your father's house, To a land that I will show you.

2 I will make you a great nation; I will bless you And make your name great; And you shall be a blessing.

3 I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

4¹ So Abram departed as the LORD had spoken to him, and Lot went with him. And Abram *was* seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

5 Then Abram took Sarai his wife and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people whom they had acquired in Haran, and they departed to go to the land of Canaan. So they came to the land of Canaan.

6¹¹ Abram passed through the land to the place of Shechem, as far as the terebinth tree of Moreh. And the Canaanites *were* then in the land.

7 Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your descendants I will give this land." And there he built an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him.

This land of Canaan was to be the future promise land for the Jews, and for the nation of Israel, but not yet.

In the book of Acts chapter 7 we read of Stephens reply to the High priest in part of his defense, in verse 5 he says;

"And *God* gave him (that is Abram) no inheritance in it, (that is Canaan) not even *enough* to set his foot on. But even when *Abraham* had no child, He promised to give it to him for a possession and to his descendants after him.

In Genesis 15:12-16 during the night vision when the Lords made His covenant with Abram, God spoke to him and said:

13 ~~Then He said to Abram:~~ "Know certainly that your descendants will be strangers in a land *that is* not theirs, and will serve them, and they will afflict them four hundred years.

¹⁴ "And also the nation whom they serve I will judge; afterward they shall come out with great possessions.

¹⁵ "Now as for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried at a good old age.

¹⁶ "But in the fourth generation they shall return here, for the iniquity of the Amorites *is* not yet complete."

Abram was promised that his posterity would return to the land after 400 years of affliction in a foreign land, a land which we know was Egypt.

If we fast forward now the 400 years and we pass the trials of Joseph and redeeming acts he did in saving the Egyptians and people of Israel as they dwelt in Egypt, we pass the slow transition of the Hebrews being converted from a welcomed people who saved Egypt from famine to becoming a people of slavery in that same nation and not just slavery but by the time Moses comes in the book of Exodus it is harsh bondage from a Pharaoh who did not remember Joseph and the things he did to save their nation.

It was Moses who was handpicked by God, to be the mouth piece for God to His people, and along with his brother Aaron, they were chosen to lead the people from the slavery and oppression and bondage in that held them in the land of Egypt.

After the 9th plague had ended and the agreement between Pharaoh and Moses in letting the people go had failed, God tells Moses what He will do to all of Egypt. In Exodus chapter 11 verses 4 through 6 Moses who is speaking for the Lord says;

4 ~~Then Moses said,~~ "Thus says the LORD: 'About midnight I will go out into the midst of Egypt;

5 'and all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sits on his throne, even to the firstborn of the female servant who *is* behind the handmill, and all the firstborn of the animals.

6 'Then there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as was not like it *before*, nor shall be like it again.

This was to be the final plague and judgment on pharaoh and on the nation of Egypt; it was going to be a judgment that would affect every household and every family, in the entire land.

But not for Israel, turn to Exodus chapter 12, in chapter 12 we have the instruction that the Lord gave to Moses and Aaron in the preparation of this last plague, the instruction of the feast and the new religious calendar, that was to come from this time forward, and we will read verse 1 - 14.

Exodus 12:1-14

1 ¶ Now the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying,

2 "This month *shall be* your beginning of months; it *shall be* the first month of the year to you.

3 "Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying: 'On the tenth *day* of this month every man shall take for himself a lamb, according to the house of *his* father, a lamb for a household.

4 'And if the household is too small for the lamb, let him and his neighbor next to his house take *it* according to the number of the persons; according to each man's need you shall make your count for the lamb.

5 'Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take *it* from the sheep or from the goats.

6 'Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight.

7 'And they shall take *some* of the blood and put *it* on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses where they eat it.

8 'Then they shall eat the flesh on that night; roasted in fire, with unleavened bread *and* with bitter *herbs* they shall eat it.

9 'Do not eat it raw, nor boiled at all with water, but roasted in fire—its head with its legs and its entrails.

10 'You shall let none of it remain until morning, and what remains of it until morning you shall burn with fire.

11 'And thus you shall eat it: *with* a belt on your waist, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. So you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD'S Passover.

12 'For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike 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 'Now the 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 the plague shall not be on you to destroy *you* when I strike the land of Egypt.

14 'So this day shall be to you a memorial; and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD throughout your generations. You shall keep it as a feast by an everlasting ordinance.

A. Time of Year

This brings us to the first sub point of Passover, which is the time of the year it is in. As I noted in the first message the Jews have two different calendars within their calendar year, one is called their civil calendar and begins with the month of Tishrei, followed by Cheshvan, Kislev, Tevet, Shevat, Adar, Nisan, Lyar, Sivan, Tammuz, , Av, and Elul. The other calendar is a religious calendar; its new year begins in the month of Nisan and follows the same cycle of months. This new religious calendar was instituted between the 9th and 10 plague of Egypt before the Exodus of Israel.

In verse 2 of Exodus 12 God says to Moses ‘this shall be your beginning of months’, this was going to be the new beginning of the new religious year for Israel. Nisan 1 was to be the new start of what would become the religious calendar for Israel.

Now in this first Passover, it says this was to be the new beginning for the Jews and the very first part of that beginning would not only start with the Exodus but the start of redemption and a religious calendar.

As instructed by God, Passover is always to be on the 14th day of Nisan, and in our calendar this was on March 27.

Now I found that there is a lot of interesting information that you can look up regarding how the Jews ‘namely the Sanhedrin’ later would begin their yearly calendar by looking at the solar year and its seasons and timing it with the lunar cycle in determining the new month.

By the middle of the 4 century a Jewish Sanhedrin named Hillel the 2nd created the fixed modern Jewish calendar with its proper months and leap years so that the feasts would always run properly in their seasons. He is credited with preserving the Jewish calendar system for the Jewish posterity that was to follow for centuries after him. This was done just prior to the Romans disbanding the Sanhedrin some time later which removed the leaders that controlled their calendar system up to that point

I also realized that all this calendar information would be very time consuming information for a message and I will simply shorten it by quoting the command given by the Lord in Exodus chapter 13 verse 10 which says;

9 "It shall be as a sign to you on your hand and as a memorial between your eyes, that the LORD'S law may be in your mouth; for with a strong hand the LORD has brought you out of Egypt.

10 "You shall therefore keep this ordinance in its season from year to year.

It was a feast that was to be set in its season through the years and there needed to be a system of adjusting their calendars with leap months or adding and removing days to compensate the difference in lunar months to solar years so that these feasts would always be in its proper month and in its proper season. As the Lord said ‘you shall therefore keep this ordinance in its season from year to year’ and this is what has been persevered over the generations by the Jews.

Going back to the exodus one year later in Numbers 9:1-5 the Lord again instructs the children of Israel to keep the Passover, it says;

1 ¶ Now the LORD spoke to Moses in the Wilderness of Sinai, in the first month of the second year after they had come out of the land of Egypt, saying:

2 "Let the children of Israel keep the Passover at its appointed time.

3 "On the fourteenth day of this month, at twilight, you shall keep it at its appointed time. According to all its rites and ceremonies you shall keep it."

4 So Moses told the children of Israel that they should keep the Passover.

5 And they kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the first month, at twilight, in the Wilderness of Sinai; according to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did.

In Numbers 28:16 it says;

16 ¶ 'On the fourteenth day of the first month *is* the Passover of the LORD.

In the book of Leviticus chapter 23 verse 5 it says;

5 'On the fourteenth *day* of the first month at twilight *is* the LORD'S Passover.

In Deuteronomy 16 verse 1 and 2 it says;

1 ¶ "Observe the month of Abib, and keep the Passover to the LORD your God, for in the month of Abib the LORD your God brought you out of Egypt by night.

2 "Therefore you shall sacrifice the Passover to the LORD your God, from the flock and the herd, in the place where the LORD chooses to put His name.

B. Israel's Command;

Now in regards to the sacrifice the Lord said, this lamb, which could be taken from the sheep or the goats was to be taken into the home on the 10th day and was to be kept for 4 days in the home.

On the 14th day the father of the home was to take the lamb, a basin and a knife and he was to kill the lamb cut its throat and pour out its blood into the basin. The blood was then painted onto the two door posts and on the lintel for the Lord said in verse 12 and 13

12 'For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike 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 'Now the 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 the plague shall not be on you to destroy *you* when I strike the land of Egypt.

The blood was to be applied to the door as a sign, remember last time we talked about the importance of signs, this blood was to be a sign of the sacrifice that had been made for that home. This sacrificial blood that was on the door was the sign that would cause the Lord to 'pass over' that home and not execute judgment on those first born who were inside. He would Passover and not destroy in that home.

This was the command that the Jews were to follow so that the judgment would not fall on those who had faith in God and in that sacrificial lamb, the blood of the lamb would turn away the judgment and death that came to them that night.

This also brings us to the significance it was for Israel. The very first Passover the blood was to be for the protection from the destroyer, from the One who would destroy all the first born in the land of Egypt. This death of the first born was the tenth plague that was poured out on a nation due to the stubbornness of a Pharaoh, it was pride and stubbornness that brought upon them this destruction.

That night when the blood was applied to the door posts the destroyer would pass over the Hebrews sparing their house's from the death and the judgment that was coming to the land. From that time onward this feast was to be a continual reminder of their freedom from the slavery, their freedom from oppression, their freedom from Egypt. This sacrifice was to be a continual reminder of their redemption that the Hebrews found the night that the Lord's wrath and judgment was poured out on the Egyptians.

In Exodus chapter 12 verse 25 to 27 at the conclusion of the instruction of this act Moses concludes with these words to Israel;

²⁵ "It will come to pass when you come to the land which the LORD will give you, just as He promised, that you shall keep this service.

²⁶ "And it shall be, when your children say to you, 'What do you mean by this service?'

²⁷ "that you shall say, 'It is the Passover sacrifice of the LORD, who passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt when He struck the Egyptians and delivered our households.'"

This was to be a perpetual feast to forever remind the children of Israel of what the Lord did in order to bring His people out of bondage, and provided the atonement for judgment that was poured out that night in Egypt.

For generations on end it was the shed blood that was to symbolize the passing over of judgment and death for the children of Israel. It depicted a sacrifice that would not only look back to the time of redemption and atonement in Egypt but also forward to that redeeming sacrifice for the whole world. And that the Passover lamb would not be just a lamb taken from the flock but would be the son of God, Jesus Christ, the redeemer of all mankind.

C. Messianic significance;

Because this is the messianic significance, that from before the beginning of creation or before anything was made, it was decided by God that the second person of the trinity would one day become the Passover lamb. He would become the redeemer for all fallen man; He would become the atonement for sin in the world.

He would be the one as John the Baptist said ‘...the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world’

This Jesus Christ, the second person of the trinity, is the one who was portrayed in that first Passover. When death and judgment came into the land of Egypt, to slay all the first born of that nation, it was the blood of that sacrifice that covered them, that protected them, that gave them life, and this was the prophetic sign of Gods plan that would be fulfilled one day in the future.

In the Garden of Eden when Adam and Eve sinned, the first veiled prophecy of this redeemer was made, in His curse to the serpent God said;

"Because you have done this, You *are* cursed more than all cattle, And more than every beast of the field; On your belly you shall go, And you shall eat dust All the days of your life.

¹⁵ And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel."

Jesus Christ is the Messiah who is prophesied throughout the entire Old Testament as being the One who would take away the sins of the world, the one who would be the redeemer of the world, He is the one who was depicted in all of the sacrifices that Israel mad in all of

their generations, that the people who would put their trust in His blood would not have to face the wrath and judgment of God which is coming.

Christ, who came into the world, to redeem the world, is that atonement for the world. Just as the Passover lamb, which came into the homes of the Jews, so Christ came into the world, He was with us, He was among us, and He lived with us for a time.

As the lamb was to be without blemish in the time of the first Passover and every Passover from that time onward so to was Christ, without blemish or without spot. He was the perfect Lamb of God who was to be that perfect atonement for our sins.

Hebrews 10:11-14 says;

11 And every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins.

12 But this Man, (*that is Jesus*) after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever (*that is Himself*), sat down at the right hand of God,

13 from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool.

14 For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.

As the lambs were killed on the 14 day of Nisan, that day declared as Passover, so too was the Christ killed at Passover, the perfect lamb of God was killed on the same day the lambs were killed in Egypt, but for the Messiah this was done in the most agonizing and horrible way possible at that time in human history, to be crucified on the cross a cross that was meant for me.

1 Corinthians 5:7b Paul says

For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us.

In Egypt when the lamb was killed and eaten, and the blood was applied to the door posts everything was done, the feast was finished, the blood was on the door and all they could do was wait for the judgment to pass over them and for morning to come. On the cross where Jesus was nailed and His blood was shed what were His last words? 'it is finished', it is finished, the lamb came into the world, lived among us, was slain and His blood was shed and applied to the door of salvation and it was finished.

I know in the first message point 'D' was to be the application for the Christian but before you become a Christian, Passover needs to be a personal choice, a personal significance to you.

D. Personal significance;

You see Passover becomes a personal choice for everyone who hears it. It become each and every individuals choice to trust in the blood or not, the first part of the plan has been completed, the plan of salvation has begun and accomplished, and all that remains is for you to make a choice. Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 6:2 saying;

Behold, now *is* the accepted time; behold, now *is* the day of salvation.

The personal significance of this feast is exactly that, it is your personal choice. We read of the Passover lamb whose blood delivered the Jews from the destroyer, delivered them from the death that came to destroy the first born that night in Egypt.

Once the Jews applied the blood to the door posts, all they had to do was to stay inside, choose to stay behind the door, under the blood, and death and judgment would Passover them.

It is no different now, we know that Christ is the one who can redeem us, He is the one who has the power over sin, He is the one who can deliver us from the wages of sin which is death and He can deliver us from the wrath of God which is to come.

And it is all your choice, if you will repent of your sins and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and come under the blood that was shed for you, He will deliver you from the wrath and judgment that is coming. The last part of 1 Thessalonians 1:10 says it is;

... Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

It is your choice. It is your decision to believe.

As author Jerold Aust stated;

It represents the crucial first step in God's plan to save mankind

To save mankind but left the decision to every individual man, you see, for me He is my Lamb, He is my sacrifice, He is my atonement before God for my sins and my disobedience. He is my death. For me as a Christian, his blood is that new covenant that gives me eternal life.

Titus 2:11-14;

For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men,
12 teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age,

13 looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

14 who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.

The bible says if I repent of my sins and believe in the name of Jesus Christ as my Lord and savior, and apply His blood to my life, so that when death and judgment come His blood covers me and I am justified by the blood of Christ and death and sin have no more power over me.

He is the redeemer of our souls, our deliverer from sin and He has the power over sin in this world and it is through repentance and faith in Him that can place us into the family of God and into eternal life. It is the most important decision in this life that you will ever make.

Jonah bought me a hat for my birthday this June, on the front it says 'the biggest mistake you can make in this life is to die without Jesus' that is so true, so true, it is the decision of eternal life as opposed to eternal death. And it is all your choice.

Just as Israel was redeemed out of bondage and slavery and oppression, so too are we delivered out of the bondage of sin, out of slavery to Satan, and out of the oppression that comes in being a slave to sin, and out of death itself, and with this power of the Holy One we can become bold as Paul says in 1 Corinthians 15: verses 55-57;

55 "O Death, where *is* your sting? O Hades, where *is* your victory?"

56 The sting of death *is* sin, and the strength of sin *is* the law.

57 But thanks *be* to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

It is through the blood of Jesus Christ that we have the victory, victory over sin, victory over death, victory over the judgment that is coming to this world someday ‘very’ soon. If you are a Christian His blood covers you, and His blood, His atonement has been accepted by God, and you are now justified and declared righteous in the eyes of God.

If you are not a believer you are still under God’s wrath and judgment that is coming. It is all your choice, you can either live this life with the pretense of thinking ‘I’m not a bad person’ or ‘I’ll take my chances in the end after I die’ or simply think that ‘it’s just all over in when I am dead’, or you can put your trust in the One who has already paid the price for sin and has taken our place in death and

thus provided salvation to the whole world, and that, is the personal significance of the Passover feast. It is a sign that for you that this redemption has been made available.

Conclusion:

And so in conclusion, the feast of Passover, this is the first feast in the Jewish cycle of feasts, it is the first spring feast created when the Passover lambs were slain in Egypt, when the lambs were slain on the 14th of Nisan and their blood was placed on the door posts and lintels so that the death angel would not enter and strike the first born of the land.

It represents the protection of judgment that was poured out on Egypt, and a deliverance and redemption from slavery and bondage for God's people in Egypt. It was to be a foreshadowing of the sacrifice that would not only free man from the bondage and slavery of Egypt, but the bondage and slavery of sin and the freedom from it all together through the sacrifice of the one and only Lamb of God, which is Jesus Christ.

He is the one and only one that can atone for our sins and provide salvation for our soul. As Hebrews 10:12 say;

But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God,

In Hebrews chapter 9 verse 12 it says that ‘with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption’.

And this redemption is your choice, it is at your own free will that you can choose; to either put the blood of Christ on and be justified in the eyes of God and live for Him, or, you can choose to ignore all the signs God has given you, ignore all the people He has placed into your life to tell you and most of all, ignore His word, the bible that He has given to all of us. Not just in His plan for the Christian but of the plan for the world and of salvation for all mankind.

Passover, it is the first feast, it is the first step in redemption, it is the first part in the great plan of God for man. And the question remains, will you be part of that plan or will you be joining those who will gamble their life and face wrath and judgment as Pharaoh and the people of Egypt did?