

Passover

Origin of the Passover Service

You may recall that Egypt was very resistant to releasing it's Israelite slaves when Jehovah sent Moses to demand their release. Jehovah brought many plagues upon Egypt as a result. But, it wasn't until Jehovah killed "all the first-born in the land of Egypt" that the children of Israel were released. Here's how that happened:

Exodus 12:1-6 ~ 1 And Jehovah 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 their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household: 4 and if the household be too little for a lamb, then shall he and his neighbor next unto his house take one according to the number of the souls; according to every man's eating ye shall make your count for the lamb. 5 **Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old**: ye shall take it from the sheep, or from the goats: 6 and ye shall keep it until the **fourteenth day of the same month**; and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at even {Hebrew: **between the two evenings**}.}

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Exodus 12:7-13 ~ 7 And **they shall take of the blood, and put it on the two side-posts and on the lintel, upon the houses wherein they shall eat it**. 8 And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; with bitter herbs they shall eat it. 9 Eat not of it raw, nor boiled at all with water, but roast with fire; its head with its legs and with the inwards thereof. 10 And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; but 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 Jehovah's passover**. 12 **For I will go through the land of Egypt in that night, and will smite all the first-born in the land of Egypt, both man and beast**; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am Jehovah. 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 there shall no plague be upon you to destroy you**, when I smite the land of Egypt.

Exodus 34:25 Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leaven; neither shall the sacrifice of the feast of the passover be left unto the morning.

Exodus 12:14-16 ~ 14 And **this day shall be unto you for a memorial, and ye shall keep it a feast to Jehovah: throughout your generations** ye shall keep it a feast by an **ordinance** for ever. 15 **Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread**; even **the first day ye shall put away leaven out** of your houses: for **whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel**. 16 And in **the first day there shall be to you a holy convocation, and in the seventh day a holy convocation**; no manner of work shall be done in them, save that which every man must eat, that only may be done by you.

Leviticus 23:3-8 ~ 3 Six days shall work be done: but on **the seventh day is a sabbath of solemn rest, a holy convocation**; ye shall do no manner of work: it is a sabbath unto Jehovah in all your dwellings. 4 These are the set **feasts of Jehovah, even holy convocations**, which ye shall proclaim in their appointed season. 5 In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, is Jehovah's passover. 6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto Jehovah: seven days ye shall eat unleavened bread. 7 In the first day ye shall have a **holy convocation**: ye shall do no servile work. 8 But ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto Jehovah seven days: in the seventh day is a **holy convocation**; ye shall do no servile work.

Exodus 12:17-20 ~ 17 And ye shall observe the feast of unleavened bread; for in this selfsame day have I brought your hosts out of the land of Egypt: therefore shall ye observe this day throughout your generations by an ordinance for ever. 18 **In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even.** 19 Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a sojourner, or one that is born in the land. 20 Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread.

Exodus 12:21-24 ~ 21 Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, Draw out, and take you lambs according to your families, and **kill the passover**. 22 And ye shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and strike the lintel and the two side-posts with the blood that is in the basin; and none of you shall go out of the door of his house until the morning. 23 For Jehovah will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when he seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side-posts, Jehovah will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite you. 24 And ye shall observe this thing for an ordinance to thee and to thy sons for ever.

Exodus 12:43-46 ~ 43 And Jehovah said unto Moses and Aaron, This is the ordinance of the passover: there shall no foreigner eat thereof; 44 but every man`s servant that is bought for money, when thou hast circumcised him, then shall he eat thereof. 45 A sojourner and a hired servant shall not eat thereof. 46 In one house shall it be eaten; thou shalt not carry forth aught of the flesh abroad out of the house; **neither shall ye break a bone thereof.**

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