

The LORD Our Passover Will Pass Over April 18, 2025 – Good Friday Service Sermon Outline

Exodus 12:11

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 (Heb. pesach).

Exodus 12:13

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 (Heb. pasach) you; and the plague shall not be on you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

Exodus 12:23

For the LORD will pass through to strike the Egyptians; and when He sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, the LORD will pass over (Heb. pasach) the door and not allow the destroyer to come into your houses to strike you.

The Feast of the Passover was instituted by the LORD, as given to us in Exodus 12.

The Hebrew word for "Passover" is *pesach*, a noun referring to the Passover Lamb, and is also used to refer to the Passover sacrifice, supper or feast.

On this night God said He would "pass over" His people when He saw the blood applied on their door posts, so that death and destruction would not enter their homes.

The Hebrew word for "pass over" is *pasach*, a verb literally meaning to skip over. The traditional understanding is that because of the blood applied on the doorposts the destroyer skipped the homes of the Hebrew people. This is correct but only part of the understanding. What is so important, is to understand that God Himself became a guard or protection over the homes



of His people, so that the destroyer could not enter and had to skip over the homes where the blood was applied.

The full meaning of God "passing over" His people is that God became a covering, a protection, a shelter, a guard, a defender for His people, so that the destroyer could not enter and had to skip the homes of His people.

This is seen so clearly brought out in Isaiah 31:4-5, where the same word pasach is used and translated as "passing over".

Isaiah 31:4-5

4 For thus the LORD has spoken to me: "As a lion roars, and a young lion over his prey (when a multitude of shepherds is summoned against him, He will not be afraid of their voice nor be disturbed by their noise), so the LORD of hosts will come down to fight for Mount Zion and for its hill.

5 Like birds flying about, so will the LORD of hosts defend Jerusalem. Defending, He will also deliver it; passing over (Heb. pasach), He will preserve it."

The full idea of *pasach* is brought out so clearly here. It refers to God defending, delivering, and preserving His people.

On the night of the very first Passover, we observe 3 things God did in Exodus 12:

God DEFENDED His people, and the destroyer could not enter their homes. God DELIVERED His people from about 400 years of slavery.

God BLESSED His people, and they left Egypt with silver, gold and clothing (Exodus 12:35-36, Psalm 105:37).

These are the full blessings of the *pesach* (the Passover) and the effect of God being our *pasach* (our Covering).

The New Testament teaches us that Jesus Christ is our Passover.

1 Corinthians 5:7

7 Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us.

The Old Testament was a type, a shadow, a figure that pointed to a true fulfillment, a greater reality, a more powerful Sacrifice.

The Passover lamb was typically slaughtered around 3 PM on the afternoon of the 14th day of Nisan. This time coincided with the timing of the regular evening sacrifice (Tamid) being offered. The slaughtering took place in the courtyard of the Temple in Jerusalem.

In John's Gospel account, the day before the Passover, the 13th day of the first month in the Jewish calendar, the month of Nisan, the Lord Jesus instituted what we refer to as the Lord's Supper and at the last meal He had with His disciples (John 13:1). That evening at the start of the 14th day of the first month, Jesus was arrested. The next morning, of the 14th day, the Lord Jesus was crucified at 9 AM (the third hour Mark 15:25). This was the same time when the daily morning sacrifice was offered. Jesus died at 3 PM (the ninth hour Mark 15:34). It was at this same time that the daily evening sacrifice was offered first, and then the Passover sacrifice was made at 3 PM.

In a literal sense the Lord Jesus became our daily morning and evening sacrifice and the Passover sacrifice.

Christ is our Passover. He brings to our lives, greater truth, greater reality and greater fulfillment than what the Old Testament Passover did.

God DEFENDED His people. God DELIVERED His people. God BLESSED His people.

Christ our Passover does all of this for us today.

Isaiah 31:5



Like birds flying about, so will the LORD of hosts defend Jerusalem. Defending, He will also deliver it; passing over, He will preserve it."





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SERMON OUTLINE

This special Good Friday sermon is a short exhortation looking back at the first Passover, and the significance of the Passover Lamb (pesach) and the Lord passing over (pasach) His people. The first Passover was a work of God defending, delivering and blessing His people. Christ is our Passover, and He still passes over us, defending us, delivering us and blessing us.

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