

THE MIGHTY HAND OF THE LORD (The Passover)

Exodus 11:1-13:16

Key Verse: 12:13

1. What did God tell Moses? (11:1) What was he to tell the people to do? (2-3) What word of God did Moses tell Pharaoh? (4-8) What did he predict that Pharaoh and the Egyptians would do? What would clearly reveal God's sovereignty and his almighty power? What was Moses' attitude and his confidence? (8c-10)
2. When and how was this prophecy fulfilled? (12:1,2; 29-30; 31-36) Note the elements repeated in the prediction and its fulfillment.
3. Read 12:1-13. What instructions did the Lord give Moses about preparing the Lord's Passover? What kind of lamb? What was to be done with it? With the blood? What was God teaching through this about himself?
4.) Why was this feast called the "Lord's Passover?" Why did the Israelites need to be protected from God's judgment? (12:12,13) On what condition would God spare the firstborn of Israel? (12:13) [Jn 1:29; Jn 6:53-54; 1Cor 5:7b]
5. With what attitude was the Passover lamb to be eaten? How does this teach faith? (11)
6. When Moses gave the people the Lord's instructions, how did they respond? (12:21-23) (12:24-28)
7. How did Israel despoil Egypt? How was it that they were prepared to do so? How did this fit into God's education of the Israelites slaves? (11:1-3; 12:33-36; Ge 15:13,14)
8. Read 12:14-20. Why were the cakes baked in the desert made without yeast? (12:39,33,34) Think about the historical roots of this religious ceremony, and the educational purpose and function of keeping the Passover as a festival to the Lord, an everlasting ordinance.
9. Describe the people who made the Exodus from Egypt. How long had they been in Egypt? (12:31-41) Why is the strict keeping of the Passover reiterated?
10. In chapter 13, what are the two ceremonies which the Israelites are instructed to keep? What does the consecration of the firstborn teach? What are the methods of education prescribed here? What can we learn about how to teach and discipline our children? Ourselves? Our sheep?