The One True Passover Lamb

Proclamation Life Groups; Exodus 12:1-51; Week of Sunday, September 30, 2018; Steve Thiel

Sermon Theme > Jesus came to be the One True Passover Lamb to deliver us from judgment and the power of sin. To do so, He willingly offered Himself up as a substitute for our salvation. Therefore, we should respond with gratefulness and praise as we remember His goodness and grace.

I. The First Passover – Read Exodus 12:1-51

- A. What do you find interesting about the first Passover event (when, where, how, why)?
- B. According to Exodus 11:4-7, there is a judgment coming on the entire land of Egypt. Who deserves judgment and what is the only way to be spared from judgment?
- C. What are all the details listed about the Passover Lamb itself? What are all the specific details about how and when it should be eaten? Why are all of these details important?
- D. If the Israelites chose to obey God's instructions, what were the results? What were the consequences for the Egyptians? What are your thoughts about the description in vv.29-32?

II. The Final Passover – Read Luke 22:1-23

- A. What do you find interesting about the final Passover event (when, where, how, why)?
- B. Is there anything striking or confusing to you about the final Passover meal? Does Jesus faithfully follow all of the instructions from Exodus 12? What things seem different?
- C. How do you think the disciples would have responded to these differences? How would you have responded? Do you think you would have pointed them out to Jesus? Why or why not?

III. The Fulfilled Passover – Read Jeremiah 31:31-34

- A. As you consider the final Passover in Luke 22, where is the one true spotless Lamb of God? What are some passages in the bible that confirm that the Lord Jesus Christ is sinless?
- B. In what ways did Jesus identify with His people? How are Philippians 2:5-8 and Hebrews 4:14-16 helpful when you think about Jesus being like us in all ways, yet without sin?
- C. Why do you think it's critical that Jesus be like us in all ways, yet without sin?
- D. How do Palm Sunday and Good Friday highlight Jesus' willingness to be our substitute?
- E. How are the consequences given to us in Exodus 12 for both the Egyptians and the Israelites helpful as you think about Jesus' offer to be your Passover Lamb? How do you think you're doing at responding to that offer? Are you encouraged or discouraged?