

“Our Passover Lamb”

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BIG SANDY, Texas—Since many of my friends commemorated the Memorial of the Suffering and Death of Our Lord on Friday, April 11, I wanted to present some scriptures talking about the Son of God being our Passover Lamb.

My favorite verse to use as a starting point is 1 Corinthians 5:7.

■ 1 Corinthians 5:7—“Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you are truly unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us.”

Now, I will list many scriptures about the subjects of Passover and the Lamb.

Scriptures about the Passover

- Exodus 12:11—“You shall eat it in haste. It is the Lord’s Passover.”
- Exodus 12:21—“Pick out and take lambs for yourselves according to your families, and kill the Passover lamb.”
- Exodus 12:27—“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.’ ”
- Exodus 12:43-48—“This is the ordinance of the Passover . . . When a stranger dwells with you and wants to keep the Passover to the Lord, let all the males be circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it.”
- Exodus 34:25—“You shall not offer the blood of My sacrifice with leaven, nor shall the sacrifice of the Feast of the Passover be left until morning.”
- Numbers 9:2—“Let the children of Israel keep the Passover at its appointed time. According to all its rites and ceremonies you shall keep it.”
- Numbers 9:4-6—“So Moses told the children of Israel that they should keep the Passover. And they kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the first month, at twilight, in the Wilderness of Sinai . . . Now there were certain men who were defiled by a human corpse so that they could not keep the Passover on that day.”

- Numbers 9:10-12—"If anyone of your or your posterity is unclean because of a corpse, or is far away on a journey, he may still keep the Lord's Passover. On the fourteenth day of the second month, at twilight, they may keep it . . . According to the ordinances of the Passover, they shall keep it."
- Numbers 9:13-14—"The man who is clean and is not on a journey, and ceases to keep the Passover, that same person shall be cut off from among his people, because he did not bring the offering of the Lord at its appointed time; that man shall bear his sin. And if a stranger dwells among you, and would keep the Lord's Passover, he must do so according to the rite of the Passover."
- Numbers 28:16—"On the fourteenth day of the first month is the Passover of the Lord."
- Numbers 33:3-4—"They departed from Rameses in the first month, on the fifteenth day of the first month; on the day after the Passover the children of Egypt went out with boldness in the sight of all the Egyptians. For the Egyptians were burying all their firstborn, whom the Lord had killed among them. Also on their gods the Lord had executed judgments."
- Deuteronomy 16:1-2—"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. 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."
- Deuteronomy 16:5-6—"You may not sacrifice the Passover within any of your gates . . . but at the place where the Lord your God chooses to make His name abide, there you shall sacrifice the Passover at twilight, at the going down of the sun, at the time you came out of Egypt."
- Joshua 5:10-11—Now the children of Israel camped at Gilgal, and kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the month at twilight on the plains of Jericho. And they ate of the produce of the land on the day after the Passover.
- 2 Kings 23:21—The king commanded the people: "Keep the Passover to the LORD your God, as it is written in this Book of the Covenant."
- 2 Kings 23:22-23—Such a Passover surely had never been held since the days of the judges who judged Israel, nor in all the days of the kings of Israel and the kings of Judah. But in the eighteenth year of King Josiah this Passover was held before the Lord in Jerusalem.
- 2 Chronicles 30:1-2—Hezekiah sent to all Israel and Judah that they should come to the house of the Lord at Jerusalem, to keep the Passover to the Lord God of Israel. For the king and his leaders and all the assembly in Jerusalem had agreed to keep the Passover in the second month."

- 2 Chronicles 30:5—They resolved to make a proclamation throughout all Israel (from Beersheba to Dan) that they should come to keep the Passover to the Lord God of Israel at Jerusalem, since they had not done it for a long time in the prescribed manner.
- 2 Chronicles 30:15—They slaughtered the Passover lambs on the fourteenth day of the second month. The priests and the Levites were ashamed, and sanctified themselves, and brought the burnt offerings to the house of the Lord.
- 2 Chronicles 30:18-20—A multitude of the people (many from Ephraim, Manasseh, Issachar and Zebulun) had not cleaned themselves, yet they ate the Passover contrary to what was written. But Hezekiah prayed for them . . . And the Lord listened to Hezekiah and healed the people.
- 2 Chronicles 35:1—Josiah kept a Passover to the Lord in Jerusalem, and they slaughtered the Passover lambs on the fourteenth day of the first month.
- 2 Chronicles 35:6—Josiah said: "Slaughter the Passover offerings, consecrate yourselves and prepare them for your brethren, that they may do according to the word of the LORD by the hands of Moses."
- 2 Chronicles 35:7—Josiah donated animals from his possessions (30,000 lambs and young goats and 3,000 cattle) for the Passover offering.
- 2 Chronicles 35:8—Other leaders willingly gave animals (2,600 sheep and 300 cattle) for the offerings of the people, the priests and the Levites.
- 2 Chronicles 35:9—Leaders of the Levites gave animals (5,000 sheep and 500 cattle) to offer as sacrifices.
- 2 Chronicles 35:11—The Levites slaughtered the Passover offerings.
- 2 Chronicles 35:13—The Levites roasted the Passover offerings with fire according to the ordinance. They boiled the other holy offerings in pots, caldrons and pans and divided them quickly among the people.
- 2 Chronicles 35:16—They prepared the same day to keep the Passover and to offer burnt offerings on the altar of the Lord, according to the commandment of King Josiah.
- 2 Chronicles 35:17—The children of Israel kept the Passover at that time, and the Feast of Unleavened Bread for seven days.
- 2 Chronicles 35:18-19—There had been no Passover kept in Israel like that since the days of Samuel the prophet. And none of the kings of Israel had kept such a Passover as Josiah kept with the priests and the Levites. People from Judah and Israel were present. In the eighteenth year of the reign of Josiah, this Passover was kept.
- Ezra 6:19-20—The descendants of the captivity kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the first month. The priests and the Levites had purified

themselves. All of them were ritually clean. And they slaughtered the Passover lambs for all the descendants of the captivity, for their brethren the priests and for themselves.

■ Ezekiel 45:21—On the 14th day of the first month, you shall observe the Passover, a feast of seven days. Unleavened bread shall be eaten.

■ Matthew 26:2—The Son of God said: "You know that after two days is the Passover, and the Son of Man will be delivered up to be crucified."

■ Matthew 26:17—"Now on the first day of the Feast of the Unleavened Bread, the disciples came to Jesus, saying to Him: 'Where do You want us to prepare for You to eat the Passover?' "

■ Matthew 26:18-19—The Son of God told them to go into the city and say: "The Teacher says: 'My time is at hand. I will keep the Passover at your house with My disciples.' " The disciples did as He had directed them, and they prepared the Passover.

■ Mark 14:1—After two days it was the Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread.

■ Mark 14:12—"Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread (when they killed the Passover lamb) His disciples said to Him: 'Where do You want us to go and prepare, that You may eat the Passover?' "

■ Mark 14:13-16—The Son of God told them to go into the city and say: "The Teacher [asks]: 'Where is the guest room in which I may eat the Passover with My disciples?' " The disciples found it just as He said to them. They prepared the Passover.

■ Luke 2:41—His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover.

■ Luke 22:1—Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near—which is called Passover.

■ Luke 22:7—Then came the Day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover must be killed.

■ Luke 22:8—The Son of God sent Peter and John saying: "Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat."

■ Luke 22:10-13—The Son of God told them to go into the city and say: "The Teacher [asks]: 'Where is the guest room where I may eat the Passover with My disciples?' " They found it just as He said to them. They prepared the Passover.

■ Luke 22:14-15—After He sat down with the 12 apostles, He said: "With fervent desire I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I say to you, I will no longer eat of it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God."

■ John 2:13—"Now the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem."

- John 2:23—When He was in Jerusalem at the Passover (during the feast), many believed in His name when they saw the signs which He did.
- John 6:4—“Now the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was near.”
- John 11:55—“The Passover of the Jews was near, and many went from the country up to Jerusalem before the Passover to purify themselves.”
- John 12:1—“Then, six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany.”
- John 13:1— “Now before the Feast of the Passover (when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father), having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.”
- John 18:28—“Then they led Jesus from Caiaphas to the Praetorium, and it was early morning. But they themselves did not go into the Praetorium lest they should be defiled, but that they might eat the Passover.”
- John 18:39—Pilate said: “You have a custom that I should release someone to you at the Passover.”
- John 19:14—“Now it was the Preparation Day of the Passover, and about the sixth hour.”
- Hebrews 11:28— “By faith he [Moses] kept the Passover and the sprinkling of blood, lest he who destroyed the firstborn should touch them.”

Scriptures about “Lamb of God”

- John 1:29—“The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said: ‘Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!’ ”
- John 1:35-36—“Again, the next day, John stood with two of his disciples. And looking at Jesus as He walked, he said: ‘Behold the Lamb of God!’ ”
- 1 Peter 1:18-19—Knowing that you were redeemed “with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.”
- Revelation 5:6—In the midst of the throne stood a Lamb, as though it had been slain.
- Revelation 5:8—The four living creatures and the 24 elders fell down before the Lamb.
- Revelation 5:12—Millions of voices said: “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain.”
- Revelation 5:13—Every creature heard: “Blessing and honor and glory and power be to Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb, forever and ever!”
- Revelation 7:9-10—All nations, tribes, peoples and tongues will stand before the Lamb saying: “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne and to the Lamb.”

- Revelation 7:14—"These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb."
- Revelation 7:17—The Lamb will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters.
- Revelation 12:11—They overcame the devil by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony.
- Revelation 13:8—Those who worship the Beast do not have their names written in the Book of Life of the Lamb—slain from the foundation of the world.
- Revelation 14:1—A Lamb was standing on Mount Zion with 144,000 who had the Father's name written on their foreheads.
- Revelation 14:4—They follow the Lamb wherever He goes. They are first-fruits to God and to the Lamb.
- Revelation 14:10—"He shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb."
- Revelation 15:3—They sing the song of Moses and the song of the Lamb.
- Revelation 17:14—They will make war with the Lamb and the Lamb will overcome them—for He is Lord of lords and King of kings.
- Revelation 19:7—The marriage of the Lamb has come and His wife has made herself ready.
- Revelation 19:9—"Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!"
- Revelation 21:14—"Now the wall of the city had 12 foundations, and on them were the names of the 12 apostles of the Lamb."
- Revelation 21:22-23—"I saw no temple in it [the Holy City], for the LORD God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. The city had not need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light."
- Revelation 21:27—Those who may enter the Holy City are "only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life."
- Revelation 22:1—"He showed me a pure river of water of life (clear as crystal) proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb."
- Revelation 22:3—"The throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it."