



Spiritual
Lessons from
the life of
Moses

Lesson 5 -
Death of the
firstborn in
Egypt

Exodus 11-12

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(1) Background: Moses demanded for the release of the Israelites. Pharoah rejected. God afflicted the Egyptians with 10 plagues.

(2) The 10th plague was the death of the firstborn in Egypt.

(3) Watch video:

Chapter 11:

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Chapter 12:

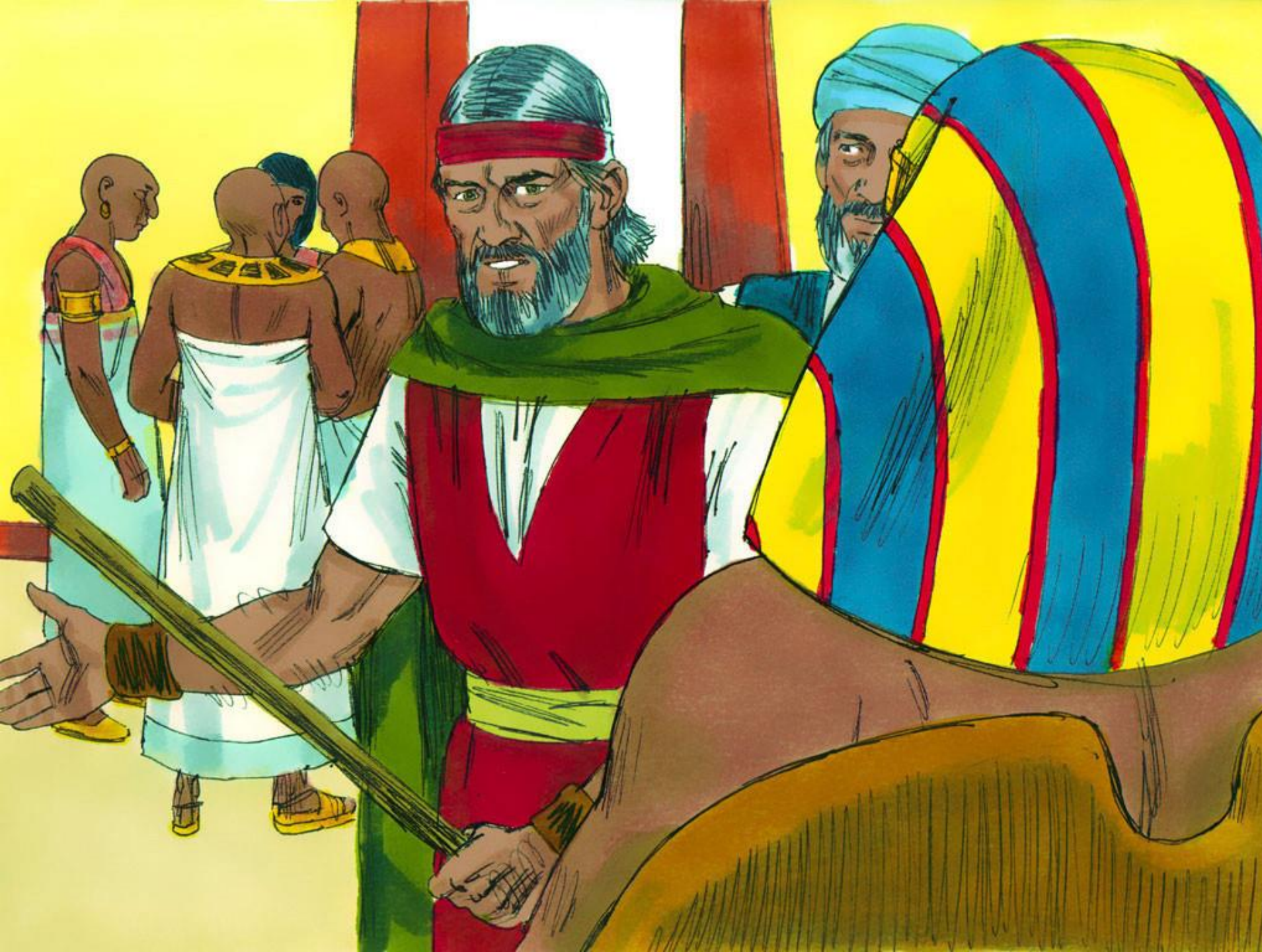
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Please watch with discretion as parts of the movie may be inaccurate.

(4) Question:

(a) What, in your view, is the significance of the sacrificing of a lamb and smearing of the blood on the door posts of the Israelites' homes in relation to the salvation of Christ ?



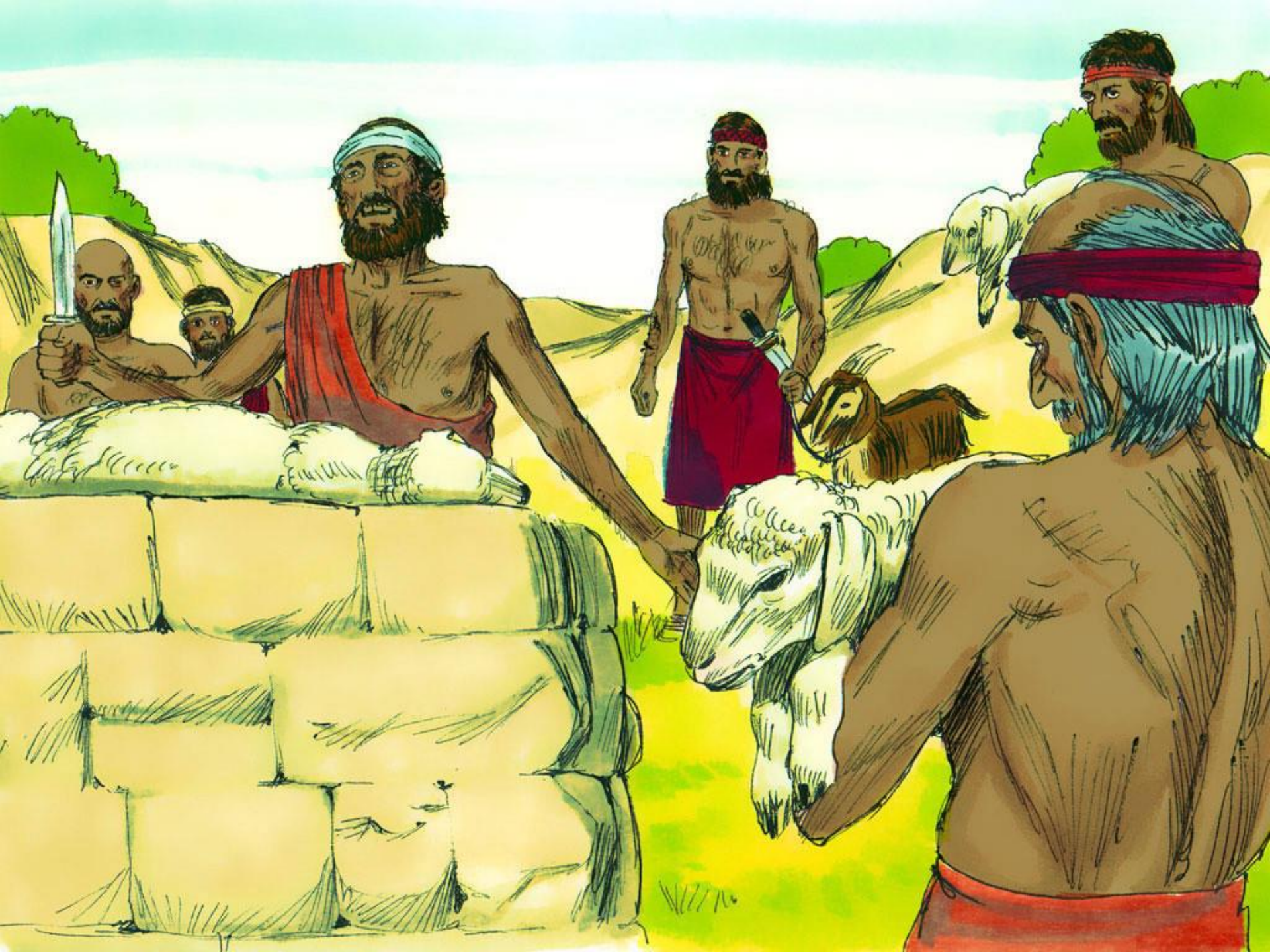
'Just as you say,' replied Moses. 'I won't appear before you again. But God has one more plague to send. About midnight the firstborn son of every family and animal will die and there will be weeping and wailing everywhere - except among God's people.' Exodus 11.



Moses was angered. 'Then your officials will come and bow before me and tell us to leave. After that I shall leave.' Moses then turned and walked out of the palace. Exodus 11:8.



The Lord then told Moses to tell His people that on the 10th day of the month every man who was head of a family was to sacrifice a lamb. Those who couldn't afford a lamb should join with a family that had one. The lambs must be one year old males without defect. Exodus 12:3



God's people obeyed and each family sacrificed a lamb. God then told them to put some of the blood of the slain lamb into a basin. Then, using a bunch of hyssop dipped in the blood, they should smear the top and sides of the door frame of the house where they were going to eat the meat. Exodus 12:7



God explained that that night He was going to pass through the land to bring judgement. But if He saw blood on the doorposts of a house He would pass over and those inside would be spared. So the Hebrews did as God instructed. Exodus 12:12



That evening, God's people got dressed ready to leave Egypt and sat down for a meal they would later call the Passover (for God would pass over them).



Moses explained that the Passover meal was to be celebrated every year. And when children asked what it meant they were to explain its meaning and tell how God had spared those homes covered by the blood of the lamb and set His people free.
Exodus 12:26



At midnight the Lord passed over the land and the firstborn son of Pharaoh and every Egyptian family was found dead. The first born of every animal was slain too. Exodus 12: 29



That night,
Pharaoh
summoned
Moses and Aaron
and said, 'Up!
Leave my people
and go and
worship the Lord
God. Take your
families and
animals with you.
Please bless me.
Exod 12:31-32.



God's people packed their belongings. The Egyptians, afraid that they might all die, gave them gifts of silver and gold. 'Hurry and leave,' they urged.

Exod 12:33-36



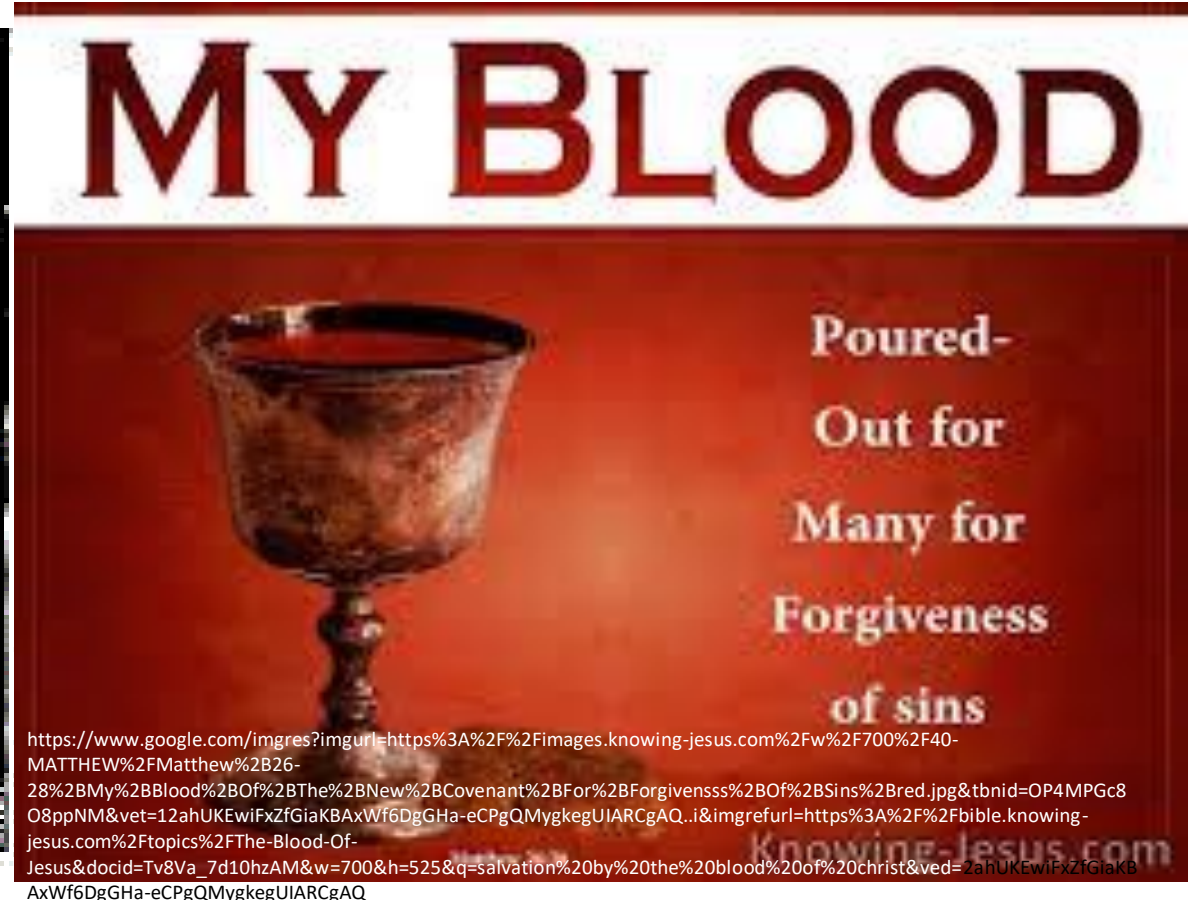
God's people rushed off so quickly they did not have time to add yeast to the dough they had made for bread. They had been in Egypt for 430 years and now they were free. Just as God had promised. Exod 12:39-42

(5) Spiritual Lessons

(a) The 10th plague – a ‘type’ of the salvation of Christ



The angel of the Lord passed over the house with the blood of the lamb

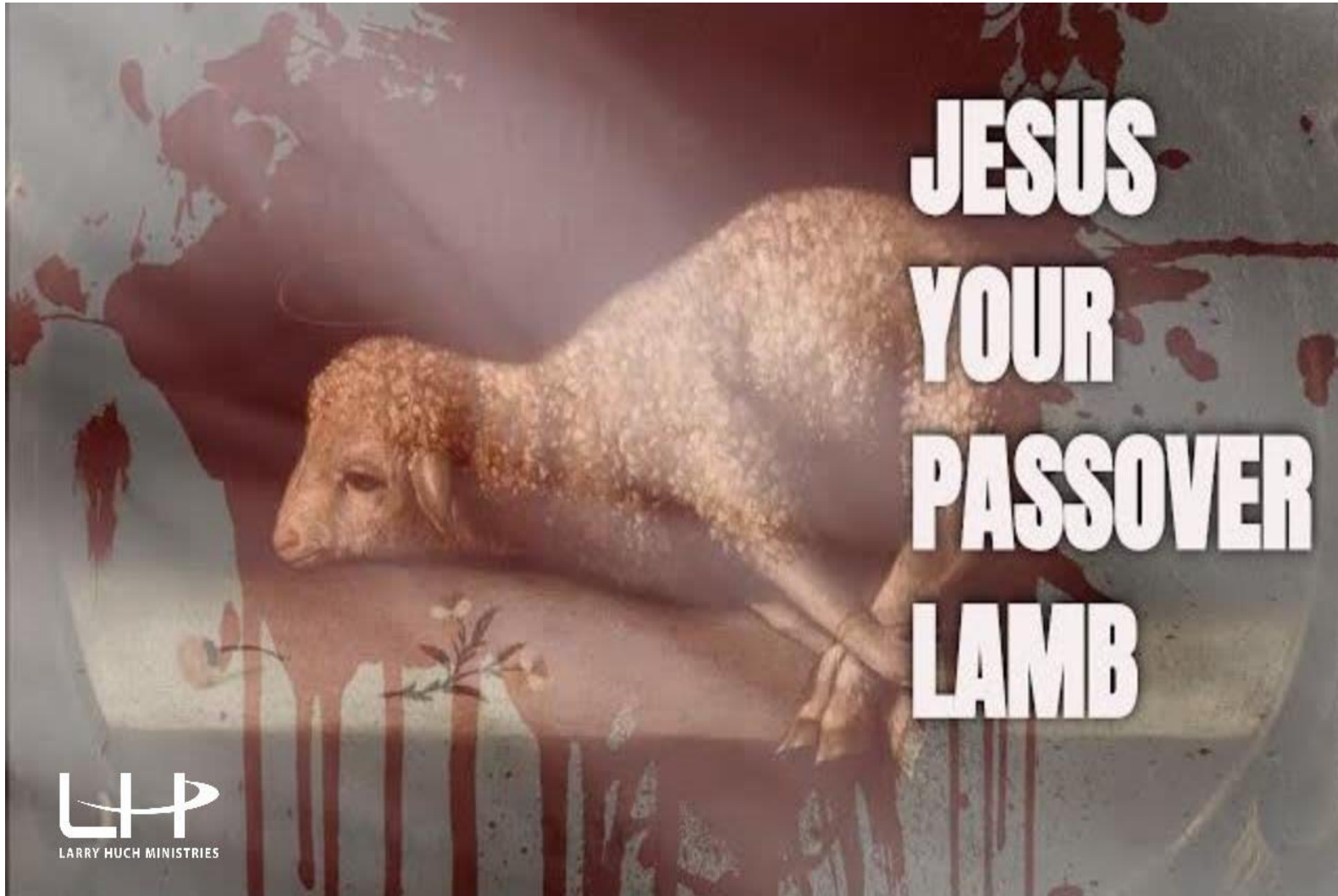


The judgment of God passes over believers who are cleansed by the blood of Jesus

Comparison between the Passover and Salvation of Christ

s/no.	The Passover requirement	The Salvation requirement	Comment
1.	<p>The lamb</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Without blemish• Kill it• Take the blood	<p>Jesus Christ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sinless• Crucified• Shedding of blood	<p>The lamb represented Christ.</p> <p>The lamb must be without defect just as Christ was sinless and perfect.</p> <p>The lamb must be killed. Christ was crucified.</p> <p>The blood of the lamb must be taken out. Christ shed His blood when He was crucified.</p>

s/no.	The Passover requirement	The Salvation requirement	Comment
1.	<p>The lamb</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply the blood to the side and top door posts. • The application of blood is evidence of obedience and blood atonement for sin. 	<p>Jesus Christ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Belief in Christ • Shedding of blood for atonement of our sins 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The applying of the blood to the door posts signified the Israelites' obedience to God. • The Israelites' sin had been atoned for by the application of the blood to the door posts. Hence, the angel of the Lord passed over the family without destroying them. • Similarly, our sins have been atoned for by the blood of Christ and we are not judged for our sins.



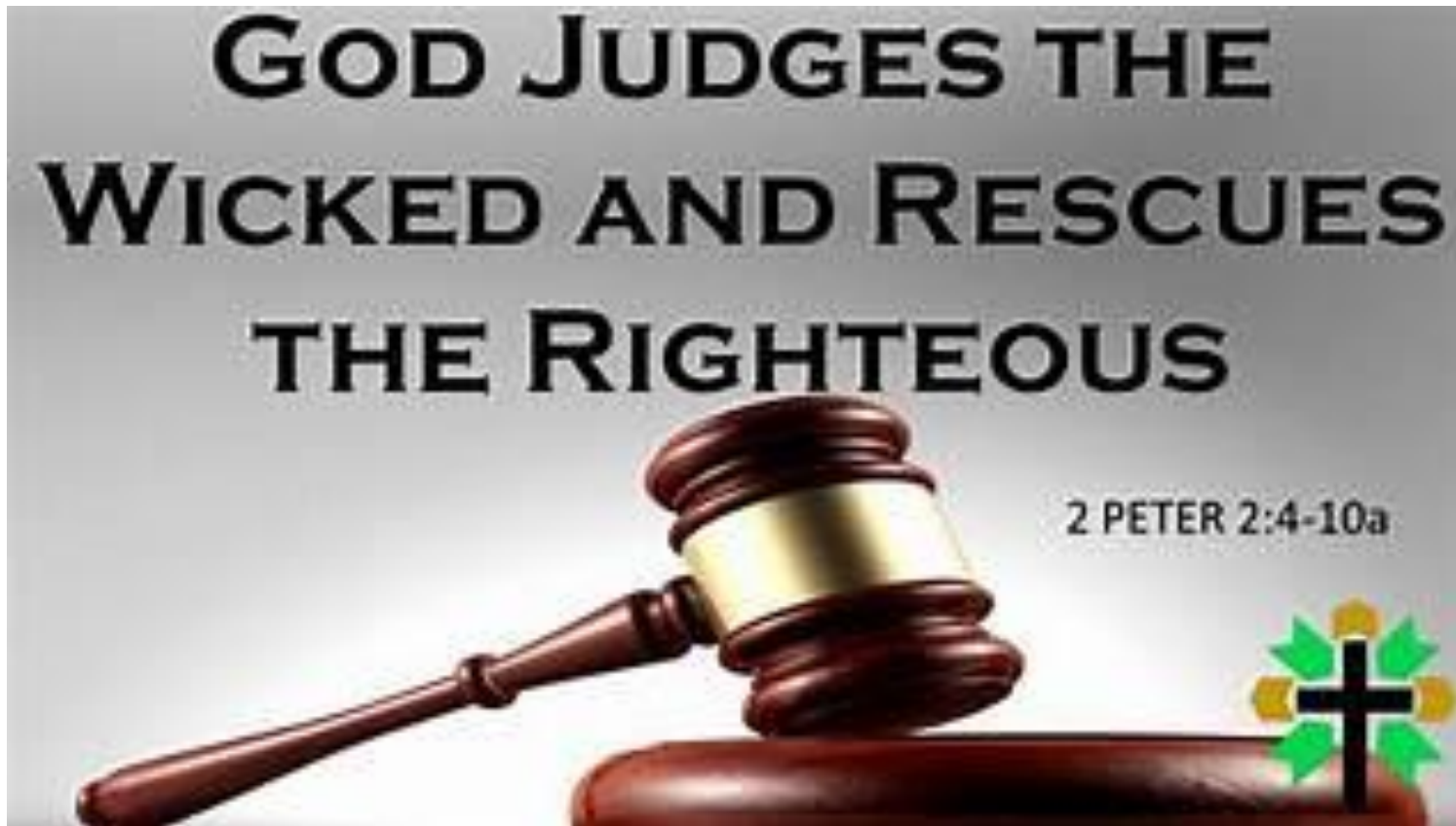
Do we have Christ as our passover lamb? Are we saved?

- Do we acknowledge our own sins?
- Do we seek God for forgiveness and repent?
- Do we strive to be more righteous?

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(b) The striking of the First-born

- In royalty succession, the first male son would succeed as the next king.
- Hence, God's striking at Pharaoh's first-born was judgement against Pharaoh for his wickedness.
- God's judgment was severe, striking at Pharaoh's most precious son.



Spiritual Lessons:

- Are we the righteous?
- Are we the wicked?

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(c) 'Are we the righteous or the wicked?'

Matthew 7:21-23:

21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?

23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

Not everyone who professed Christ is saved. A genuinely saved person is one who 'does the will of the Father' ie. A believer who obeys God:

- Repent of our sins
- Lead a holy life
- Love one another
- Do good
- Turn away from evil
- Pursue peace

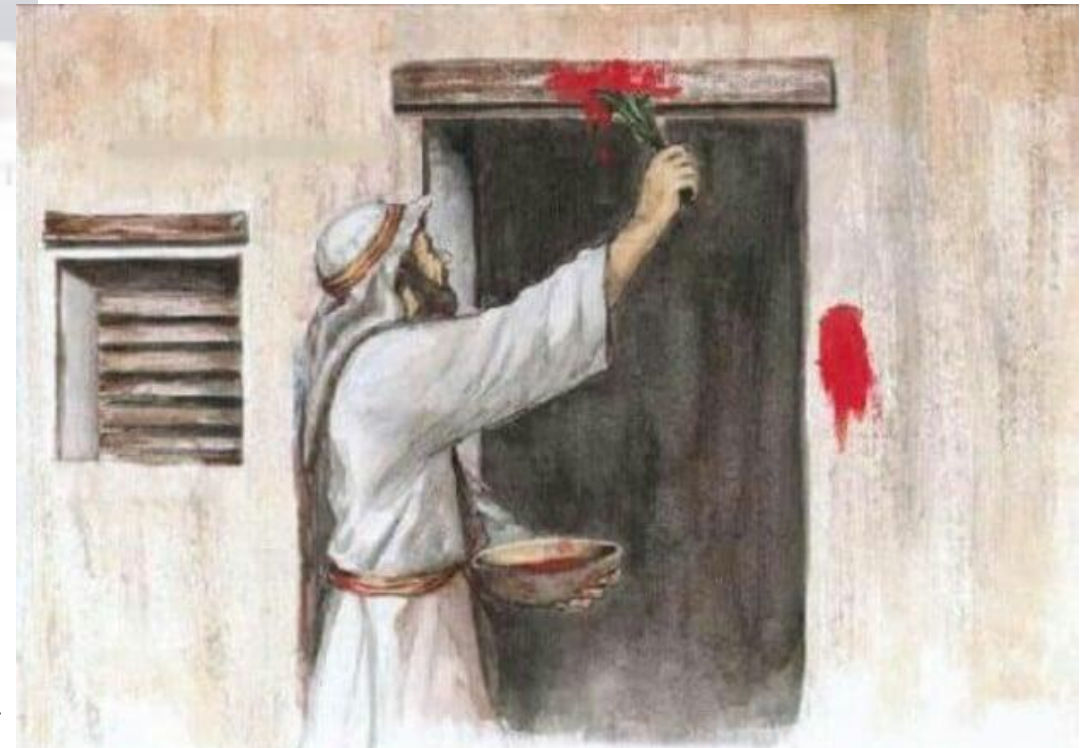
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Pharaoh disobeyed God leading to conflicts and destruction

Israelites obeyed God leading to life and preservation

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Obedience:

Love and forgiveness leading to life and preservation

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Disobedience:

Hatred and unforgiveness
leading to conflicts and
destruction

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Question: Are we proud and stubborn like Pharoah in not obeying God?