

Week 3: The Lord's Table
Matthew 26:26-30
11-20-16

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A Remembered Tradition: Passover

1. God has passed over our sin (He is a deliverer)
2. God who is Mighty (defeated Pharaoh, their enemy)
3. God said, "Never forget" (Life: it's not about you!)

"You must remember to do this even when you go to the land the LORD is giving you. When your children ask you, 'Why are we doing this ceremony?' you will say, 'This Passover is to honor the LORD, because when we were in Egypt, he passed over the houses of Israel. He killed the Egyptians, but he saved the people in our houses.'"
- Exodus 12:25-27 (ERV)

What were they to remember?

- It's all about God
- He is for them, not against them
- Worship, or love for God, is a serious matter
(No salvation for God's enemies) Bible says:

"Then Jesus said to the people, "I tell you, my friends, don't be afraid of people. They can kill the body, but after that they can do nothing more to

hurt you. I will show you the one to fear. You should fear God, who has the power to kill you and also to throw you into hell. Yes, he is the one you should fear.”
-Luke 12:4-5, ERV

- Passover centered Jews, reminding them of Who God is and What he had done and What he can do

An Unexpected Transition

1. Jesus took history and made it His story
Passover:
2. The moment was filled with Christ's presence.

A New Reality

1. **Thank God for what he has done.**

Greek word for ‘giving thanks’ is eucharisto. Some use this term for the Lord’s Supper, the Eucharist or Thanksgiving!

2. **Trust God for what He is doing.**

“No matter what happens, always be thankful, for this is God’s will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.”

-1 Thessalonians 5:18, TLB

3. **Trust God for what He will do.**

- Does your life belong to God?
- Have you asked Him to be your Savior?
- He promises to go before you, to go with you, to surround you with His presence. Trust Him today.