THE PASSOVER AND THE LAMB OF GOD

The week-long festival of Passover is celebrated in the early spring. It commemorates the emancipation of the Israelites from slavery in ancient Egypt.

At the stroke of midnight of the designated day, God visited the last of the ten plagues on the Egyptians, killing all their firstborn. While doing so, God spared the Children of Israel, “passing over” their homes. Pharaoh’s resistance was broken, and six hundred thousand adult males, plus many more women and children, left Egypt and began the trek to Mount Sinai.

(The story of the Passover is recorded in Exodus Chapter 12)

1. Where were the Israelites at the time of the very first PASSOVER?
   • Exodus 12:17

2. The PASSOVER event was the tenth in a series of punishing plagues God used against Pharoah and his people. Can you name the other nine?
   • Exodus 7:17-20
   • Exodus 8:3-6, 16-18, 20-24
   • Exodus 9:1-7, 8-12, 19-26
   • Exodus 10:12-15, 21-14

3. Prior to the plagues, what events led up to the PASSOVER?
   • Exodus 1:6-14
   • Exodus 2:10, 23-24
   • Exodus 3:1-15
   • Exodus 5:1-5

4. What were the specific requirements for the Hebrews before the first PASSOVER?
   • Exodus 12:1-13

5. What were the specific rules for the celebration of PASSOVER following the exodus?
   • Exodus 12:14-30

6. What was the significance of the goat or the lamb in the PASSOVER festival?
   • Exodus 12

7. Ask someone to read aloud Matthew 26:1-2. Discuss the significance of Jesus’ words and compare them with John’s words in John 1:29,36.

8. How did Jesus become the “LAMB OF GOD”?
   • John 3:16
   • John 19:13-15, 38-42
   • John 20:1-18
   • Romans 5:6-8
9. How does Jesus become the "LAMB OF GOD" for you and me?
   • John 3:1-16
   • Romans 3:10-12, 23
   • Romans 6:23
   • Romans 10:9-13
   • Ephesians 2:8-9

10. Once you’ve been born again by placing your Faith in Jesus Christ, the “LAMB OF GOD,”
    what are some of the changes that you should make in your life?
    • Psalm 119:11
    • John 13:34-35
    • Ephesians 2:10
    • Galatians 2:19-25, 6:1-2
    • Philippians 1:9-11, 2:1-5, 4:4-9
    • 1 Thessalonians 5:12-24
    • 2 Timothy 2:14-19
    • 1 Peter 3:13-17

11. List the various concepts from these scripture passages. Can you name other concepts that
    are important to our lives as believers?

In light of this study, what changes will you make in your life beginning this week?

Which concepts are you anxious to share with bikers this year?