



MOSES

MOSES - WEEK 6 STUDY GUIDE

OPEN

Read Exodus 12:1-32 aloud. What are some memorial rituals that Americans observe to remember significant past events? Why do we do this?

REFLECT

The story of Passover is filled with shadows that find their fulfillment in Christ. As a group, discuss as many as you can find (read ahead to 12:43-51 to help with your answers). Then look at 1 Peter 1:19. Why does Christ's spotless character make Him able to pay for our sin?

Look at Exodus 12:29-32. Why did this plague lead to the successful release of the Israelites? How is it ironic? Look back at Exodus 1:22 to help with your answer.

Observe God's judgment in these verses. How do you react to this amount of deaths at God's hands? What reasons for this judgment has the story given us up to this point? In other words, why would God do this?

APPLY

Look again at vv. 7-13. These instructions are all intended to leave Israel in a state of readiness. At any moment, their escape from slavery may come. Jesus tells us to be ready at all times for His return (Matt. 24:36-44). How can we prepare ourselves?

Read vv. 26-27. What habits or memorials should you practice in your home that will cause those around you to ask, "Why are you doing this?"

Read Matthew 26:28. In the same way that God passed over the people of Israel because of the blood of spotless lambs, God's judgment passes over us on account of Christ's blood. How do we rehearse and remember this great truth of the gospel, both personally and communally?

CLOSE

What attribute of God did you see in this week's passage that particularly struck you? How should it change the way you pray, think, speak or act this week?

TIME

Set aside a time this week for your household to read Exodus 12:1-32. Then go through these questions together:

- Why do you think the Lord had the Israelites sacrifice spotless lambs?
- How is the lamb a picture of Christ's sacrifice for us?
- What or who would you be willing to give your life for?
- How can your family be more self-sacrificial to serve each other in the name of Christ?

MOMENTS

Leverage opportunities to share the gospel—the good news of God's plan to rescue the world from the problem of sin through Jesus Christ. Teach your kids about what you sacrifice for the sake of Jesus. Make much of Jesus every chance you get and remind your family that, "When we look at Jesus, we see what God is like (because Jesus is God)."

MILESTONES

When we practice communion, we practice a ritual of remembrance. It is the remembrance both of the Passover and of Christ's sacrifice intertwined. The first time your child takes part in this ritual is a huge milestone. How will you celebrate and commemorate that milestone in the life of your family and child?