

# THE PASSOVER

Sunday School Lesson for June 9, 1907  
Specially Prepared for This Paper.

LESSON TEXT.—Exodus 12:21-30. Memory verses, 26, 27.

GOLDEN TEXT.—"When I see the blood, I will pass over you."—Exodus 12:13.

NEW TESTAMENT REFERENCES.—New Testament references to passover: John 1:29; 6:53; 1 Cor. 5:6-8; Heb. 9:14; 11:28; 1 Peter 1:18, 19.

TIME.—The plagues lasted nine or ten months, from June to the following April. The Passover, our Easter time, was the full moon of the first month of the Hebrew sacred year, Abib or Nisan, corresponding to the last of March and the first of April. The year (Ussher) was B. C. 1491; or about 1300 according to others. Professor Price makes it 1276.

PLACE.—The meetings of Moses with Pharaoh were at the capital, Zoan (Tanis), or Memphis. The Passover was observed in the land of Goshen, in north-eastern Egypt.

THE PHARAOH was probably Menephtah, son of the powerful monarch, Rameses II. The monuments of Egypt refer to the death of a son of Menephtah and ominous uprisings in 1276 B. C.

Comment and Suggestive Thought.

The Bible records fewer miracles than most men think. They are grouped in three great periods, each a critical epoch especially requiring divine interposition—the times of Moses, when the nation was to be delivered from bondage; the times of Elijah, when the authority of the prophetic order was to be established and the liberty of the people defended against the kings; the times of Christ, when the world was to be redeemed. We study in this lesson the first of these periods of miracles.

The First Triad of Plagues.—Ex. 7:14; 8:19. The plagues group themselves in threes, gradually increasing in severity, for God gave Pharaoh every chance to repent. The first triad are plagues of loathsomeness, not inflicting actual pain or injury to life. Water into blood; frogs and lice.

The Second Triad of Plagues.—Ex. 8:20; 9:12. In this group of plagues the property of the Egyptians is involved as well as their persons; the land of Goshen, where the Hebrews dwelt, is pointedly exempted from the visitations; and Moses no longer makes use of the rod, as if to show that no magic virtue resides in that piece of wood. Flies, murrain and boils.

The Third Triad of Plagues.—Ex. 9:13; 10:29. In this series of plagues "a new insect of awfulness now appears in the circumstance that the physical agency is no longer of local origination from within the land, but comes from the general system of the world; as if there now had been an invasion of Egypt on the part of the unseen universe beyond it. The rod is now resumed."—Macgregor. Hail; locusts, and darkness follow in ominous succession.

The Last Plague; Death of the First-born.—Exodus 11. Pharaoh and his people had been given every opportunity to repent. Even the divine patience had ceased to endure their hard and cruel and deceitful hearts. The final and decisive plague was announced and described with accuracy; but before its actual infliction several days elapsed that the people of Israel might be prepared for the exodus. One important step was the asking (not "borrowing"—see R. V.) of jewels, the most easily carried form of wealth, from the Egyptians. It was only right that the Hebrews should have a little return for their long services, and what their masters gave them was far less than their due.

The Institution of the Passover.—Ex. 12:1-22, 43-50. While the Israelites, protected by the effect of the plagues were making preparations for their departure, they were also preparing for a great and beautiful ceremony, ordained by God, which should at the same time arouse their religious feeling, and bind them together more firmly as a nation. It extended from the fourteenth to the twenty-first day of the month Abib, afterwards called Nisan, corresponding nearly to the last half of March and the first half of April. Hebrew months began with the new moon, so that the Passover came always at the time best for traveling, the time of full moon. The religious year began at this time; the civil year began with the month Tisri, including the last of September and the first of October.

"The Passover feast remains to this day an enduring memorial of the exodus, inexplicable except as the commemoration of a historical fact, and testifying by its name to the nature of the fact commemorated."—Rawlinson. Taken up into the Lord's Supper, it is celebrated all over the world wherever Christians as well as Jews are found.

The awful stroke fell at midnight, and immediately the entire land was filled with bitter anguish and with error. Pharaoh, whose own boy lay dead, the heir to his throne, could not wait for morning, but sent in the night, praying the Hebrews to be gone, and making no conditions.

## A WONDERFUL GAIN. A Utah Pioneer Tells a Remarkable Story.

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"After seeing the way in which Dr. Johnson's memory is revered," he said, with great simplicity, "I am not sure that I would not rather have been such a man than have gained my own greatest triumphs in cricket."—Youth's Companion.

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There is something sublime in calm endurance, something sublime in the resolute, fixed purpose of suffering without complaining, which makes disappointment oftentimes better than success.—Longfellow.

## MOTHERHOOD

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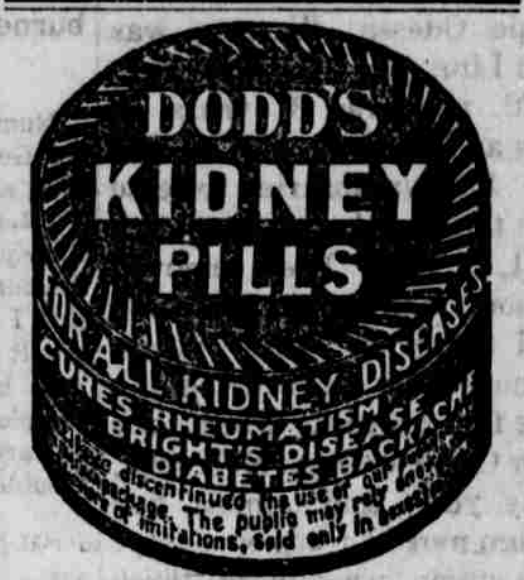
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