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ISRAEL'S LAST NIGHT IN EGYPT

Exodus 12

INTRODUCTION:

We are now to one of the most solemn and serious chapters in the Old Testament as we consider the night scenes in the Bible. It records the judgement of God upon this world at midnight.

*1972*  
*Survivor of Barge explosion - Recall agony - hand over connection - 5 Blw*  
*yield-jump - other jumped - al looked my clothes gone - el jumped - swim 60 yds -*  
*faint - screaming help - - climbed Piling - Bad Shop -*  
*Put shot on hospital -*  
V. (42) - It is a night to be much observed unto the Lord for bringing them up

from the land of Egypt. This is that night of the Lord to be observed of all the children of Israel in their generations.

*Shock - Dehydrated 12 lbs - in 24 hrs -*  
*Droped 220 lbs to 150*  
*Print given last night*  
*months by hell -*

The (last night) in Egypt was the (birth night) of a nation. It was a time that a fountain or a stream that was destine to carry life and blessings to all the nations of the earth.

There are several things that we would like to say about this last night. And I have arranged them in an order that I think will be easy to remember.

*Mighty Nation Born.*

I. A NIGHT OF BEGINNINGS - V. (2)

The Bible says this month shall be unto you, the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. It records then that a sacrifice was inaugurated and a new calendar established. They begin their pilgrimage to the promise land in this very month. And this is the beginning (of life) for them.

On that memorable night God himself (appeared) on the field, and a series of providences which is still going on will continue until his blessings fill the earth.

✓ When the (sun went down) on the descendants of Abraham, they were slaves. Toiling under task-masters. In a land that was not their own.

✓ When the (morning sun) came up, there was a great people - an army. 600,000 strong marching as the God of hosts was their guide.

Rome began with a score too of shepherds and robbers drawn together in a cluster of mud cabins - and it was (700 years) in reaching its summit of greatness. Now the Hebrews numbered (3 million) the first day of their life as a nation. They started out on this eventful career.

The Egyptians, the Babylonians, the Syrians, and all of the great conquering nations of ancient times had utterly passed away from the earth. They have (not) a representative to bear their name or the glory in their history. It is impossible to trace their influence in the life in the world today. The inscriptions upon their monuments tell us very little. We see that only in their ruins.

✓ The (Hebrews) in all of their wanderings, are Hebrews still. The descendants of 3 million who marched out of Egypt that night under Moses are today every where a part by themselves. A peculiar and an indistinguishable race.

When the (Egyptians) were carving their monuments, and of course, the nations of slaves had passed from bondage - it teaches us that the human race was under divine law. And here was a God-given faith. And so we say this was the birth night of the Hebrew nation. It was the greatest era of ancient times.

✓ The (events) of that night, still stand, and of course we wonder at it.

✓ That night of beginnings was a night throughout all the land of Egypt in that climate where it was dry. The beautiful full moon. And the stars. The Realms were <sup>town</sup>

motionless. The banks of the Nile were calm. The gardens and the vineyards that bordered the rivers and the temples were all quiet.

It was quiet and it was night in 20,000 cities and villages that lined the bank of the Nile. The laborers had come in from the fields. The yoke had been lifted from the beast of burden. The boats had been tied to the bank along the river and secured.

The princesses of Pharaoh are asleep. The house slaves are asleep on the stone floors in the mansions. The bondsmen coming in from the brick kiln are asleep in their mud cabins.

It is night in the proud capitol of Pharaoh. The hated Hebrews still must die he says. These troublesome petitions that have come from his people over and over again, have brought about a crisis.

10:28 Chapter 10 - Verse 28 - Pharaoh had threatened to take the life of God's prophet. It is not the first time that Moses had been in danger of losing his life. He had escaped death when one of the Hebrew male children - at his birth, he had been mysteriously preserved. When Pharaoh like Herod had set out to take the lives of all of those at a certain age, he had been preserved.

But this was the final catastrophe between Moses and Pharaoh. And in this verse, he says, get thee from me. Take heed to thyself. See my face no more. For in that day thou seest my face, thou shall die. Pharaoh had sworn that the hated Hebrew shall die the moment he appears at the Palace gate and this man with his troublesome petitions for his people shall no longer be tolerated.

Moses for many a day and week had been an inspired fugitive from the deserts of Sinai. And they track the steps of the proud king, his shepherd's staff was now more powerful in Egypt than the power of Pharaoh. He had excited the slaves to rebellion and the task masters had complained that labor upon the public works and in the field had been neglected. The wise men, the priests, and the national gods were going to put him to shame.

As we come to the night of beginnings we think about the plagues which had preceded this. With the tempest, the locust, and the darkness. The water of the sacred Nile had been changed to blood. The cattle of the field had been smitten and were all unclean. And again and again, Moses had appeared.

And on this final night Pharaoh at last congratulates himself, the land at last will have rest. The locust had been swept away to the sea. The people had recovered from the boils upon their flesh. The flax and the barley beaten down by the hail had been replaced. The blood-stained waters of the Nile had become fresh and pure again. The thick darkness has passed away. And tonight there is a clear sky. The monarch sleeps peacefully. The priests are asleep in the temples.

And there is rest in all the houses of Egypt. And there is silence in the streets. But midnight hour draws near.

Now God was going to lead Israel out of this night by his own way. The way that they would have customarily chosen to escaped. The wolves sometimes think it strange as they think of God's way in his book. Becoming a Christian to the world - and commencing the pilgrimage of life to many people - the beginning of the Christian life means the end. The end of real joy, the termination of genuine pleasure. There is nothing glorious to celebrate about leaving Egypt. And there is no cause to change the calendar. As they think of the Christian life beginning. The good times are at an end - and now all is to be drab and colorless. God, however, says,

it is just the opposite. And the true experience of any Christian will collaborate with the word of God that the old life enslaved in bondage is not the life that is the most enjoyable.

1- Night of Beginnings (Nation born)

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II. A NIGHT OF MYSTERIOUS PREPARATION - V. 5 - 9, V. 11.

It is quiet in the land of Egypt, but in some cities and villages where there are the slaves and the bondman, every soul is awake. Every eye is waiting for something to happen. And mysterious preparation is taking place. There is an awful expectation in the streets. The families are inside their homes. And there is mysterious bloodstains on the lintel and on the two side posts of every door. The anxious eye of parents run frequently around the group to see that the whole family is in under the blood.

V. 7

When some little child puts his hand upon the door knob, and is eager to open it and to look out in the bright moonlight, the mother springs forth with terror. And warns him of the dangerous curiosity and to wait in trustful expectation.

V. 21, 23, the preparation is carried out. They are to take a lamb according to every family. They are to kill this lamb. V. 22. Take a bunch of hyssop and dip it in the blood, and strike the door post and the lintel.

And none of you shall go out of the door of this house until in the morning.

For the Lord will pass over and smite the Egyptians but when he sees the blood upon the lintel, then the Lord will pass over the door. And will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto the house. This is what I like to think about family religion. How we need this today in the world in which we live. The Israelites were required to sanctify the first born - to separate them by divine command.

V. 23

V. 3-4 Lamb was to be eaten, All eaten with Eaten at once!  
 1 - Each man ate the Passover for himself - so we feed upon Jesus, each for himself!  
 2. Enjoyed by all the family, A lamb for an house: A man not content with self for himself But whole household! Acts 16:3

It was (not left) to option or human device, but a command from Heaven. And it was a duty that commanded them to give their best unto God.

V. 4 - Too little for the lamb - one family to little - to little. Praise, worship, love, invite his neighbor in next house - if neighbor does not come, we are not responsible. "if you do not speak, the dead require" Eg 3:3, 18

For grateful acknowledgement, a man was to give the first born. He was as good to grow out of selfishness & seek a wide circle in our fellowship. we read about Hanna, presenting Samuel unto the Lord. She brought him that he might be acceptable, to the Lord. Pilgrims Progress - Christopher took the children with her!

V. 3 - 8 (Lamb's Supper, Communion) <sup>Bound Passover</sup>  
 It is a remarkable thing how God ordained this memorial to be observed, and to make preparation. He placed it among the families. Speak, said the Lord, to the congregation of Israel and say each family - each head of the house. Every man a lamb according to his house. (A lamb) for (a house.) This memorial was not to be kept in solitude. Not to observe it by himself. But he is to partake of it in his own home, in his own family. And God has ordained this as a family unit. And primary and fundamental. Isn't this marvelous God builds nations and families. God builds churches but it is by family ties and on religion. The pass-over was something that the father alone - no! The mother alone, the children alone - no! It was for the entire household. The entire family was to take part in it. And it shall come to pass said the Lord when your children shall say unto you - what is meant by this service. Then you will tell them it was a sacrifice of the Lord. It was the night in Israel, in Egypt - when God smote the Egyptians and delivered your home. Hence to prepare

V. 11 - Their long loose robes were ready. Their feet were shod with sandals for a journey. They had visions bundled up. Men and women standing with their staff in their hand - ready to go when the sign is given.

The preparation included the sacrificial lamb. It had to be roasted. Each group had to have the bitter herbs and eat in haste. No one dare lay aside his staff - lest he be found unprepared to go. Strong men turn pale. Women weep. Little children cling to the hands of the parents. The whole family group are so still that

they can hear the beating of the heart. As the awful moment of midnight approaches.

V. (12) - Moses told them. Separation has been made. They are waiting. Is there a wail in the distant house that they hear. No, not yet.

1, Night of Beginning  
2, 1 " " Mystery Preparations  
Midnight Cry.

III. A NIGHT OF UNIVERSAL TERROR - V. (29-30)

We come to the night when the great cry goes up. In V. (29) it came to pass at midnight the Lord smote the first born of the land of Egypt, of Pharaoh - from the throne on down to the captives that are in the dungeon.

V. (30) The Bible says that the great cry went up in Egypt - for there was not one dead.

Late Night - Call - Prayers over Egypt. Home on fire - children on & worked way to dungeons home for doors down - Hark! Wife (weeping) Everything lost - Haggis lighted gasolene - the howl catches, howl oblong -

Human woe and hearts of agony. One house stricken after another. Every Egyptians home (shreaks and howls) that fill the midnight air. There was universal wailing in the villages - and cries in the city. And as the midnight lamentation rolls on.

The death angel had smitten the first born of every family. With one single stroke and not a house in which there was not one dead.



The wild frantic universal cry was an awful moment because the death angel had smitten the whole nation.

Now this cry goes up to heaven - from the palace of the king, from the courts, the law, the pagan temples and huts, from the peasants, from the prison house, from the dungeons, from every place where human hearts were found - there was

suffering and their eyes were weeping. There was bitterness and there was crying.

V. 30

In the universal terror the king calls for the heir of his throne. V. 30 - there is no heir, he is dead. The aged person turns to his strong son for protection but he supports no more - he is dead. The young mother awakes to find that the first born is dead. The neighbors rush to each others houses for consolation. But there is death there.

Not A House - where some one was not dead!

The sacred temple - the beasts in the temple were stretched out on the marble floor. It was a midnight vengeance - the first born of man and beast, had fallen under the judgement of God.

How can you describe / Shroas Lemia (Chou Book)

When the judgement was sent that night it was dark and terrible. And the Lord Almighty passed over everyone in Israel and Egypt, were dealt with alike. However, the difference were those that were under the covenant.

During all the plagues, the children of Israel were exempt from the pain, of the hail that destroyed and ruined the trees. All the other changes that were taking place.

But vengeance is certainly executed upon the first born of Egypt, as well as of Israel. There was ample opportunity however for men to obey, and to prevent the penalty. But Pharaoh remains contrary in his heart. He will not yield. He will not make preparation. And the time of destruction had come and the first born had been slain. King, peasant, slave - none were exempt!

This leads to say that vengeance upon the sinner, no matter what his position in life is - whether he is in a palace, a jail, a dungeon. Where are the families of the king - there is all equality. God is no respecter of persons.



Another thing about this universal terror is that it came at an unexpected moment. And that is the way it comes upon sinners. It was night - all in slumber. There was nothing to disturb them. And a cry went up. And it was a terrible stroke of death.

From the study of the Bible, the judgement of God will be passed upon all races and all people. The preaching of John the Baptist tells us this. When the Pharisees came he said oh generation of vipers who had warned you to flee from the wrath to come. Bring forth therefore fruits, meat for repentance, and think not, and say within yourselves - we had Abraham as our father. For I say unto you that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham. Matt. 3:7-9.

John the Baptist denies that there is any special privilege for any favorite people before God.

Our birth has nothing to do with it. Just like the night of the Passover, all were alike. And the death angel passed over.

That was a tense moment when the destruction passed along, searching the door posts and the homes. There is none righteous, no not one. For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. Rom. 3:9-10. By birth we do not inherit an exemption. We are condemned of sin and the penalty is upon us. Whether we are Israelites, Americans, Egyptians.

1- Night of Beginning Preparation -  
2- " " Mysterious Terror -  
3- " " Mobilization for God -

IV. A NIGHT OF DELIVERANCE - V. 41-42.

God's way of salvation is the same for all men. It is the way of blood, the way of atonement, - the way of substitution.

Lesson

Now there are two or three things to remember about the night of deliverance.

V. 5  
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First, a lamb. There was the substitute <sup>sacrifice</sup> There is often. During those awful days of judgement the people were to chose a lamb without blemish and to keep that lamb up for four days. And if they loved their families, they would do this. The blood of substitution or the lamb and his blood sprinkled on the door post - this was an act first, of an open confession.

V. 7  
2-

Second, it was a public exhibition that they stood for God. They feared the death.

*2 Sides of Door Post -  
sintered Top of " (not sprinkled on floor - to sacred to step upon!*

The blood was to wash away their guilt. It was to be a substitute. The wages of sin had been paid - when I see the blood, I will pass over you.

*Exod 16 - storm in the evening - when the sun goes down - At the turn of the day - 3:00 PM*

The familiar word substitute simply means a person or thing put into the place of another through exchange. The lamb has become a familiar substitute in the Bible. This means a person or a thing that takes the place of another through exchange.

Many years ago this was used in military service. There was a man in the war between France and Germany who was summons and he went out and was to be drafted. And this summons went to this man who was residing in England. To take his place in the troops in Paris. At that time, a man walking on the streets of London, when he met this German friend was surprised at seeing him there. Asked him why he was not in France. Oh, he says I'm dead. What do you mean asked his friend? Let me explain. My name was called along with others - I thought I would have to leave England but I chose to stay and escape the draft and at length I found a substitute willing for a sum of money to take my place. I gladly paid the sum and am thankful that I remain free in England. My substitute had not been very many days with the German Army and a French shell burst close by, and killed him. And he was there for

for me. His death was carried as my death. So in the eyes of the law - I am dead. The German nation has not further claim upon me.

Substitution then means one man takes the place of another.

In like fashion, we turn to Christ - the glorious Gospel. Charles Spurgeon said his theology could be summarized in four words. He died for me.

The memorial passover of the Jewish people was to be sacred and kept as a substitute. But what was done with the first born and the unclean animal. It was to be slain or redeemed by the sacrifice of a lamb.

Israel was to head for the promise land. The blood was to be caught in the branch of hysop and sprinkled at the entrance to make an atonement. The death angel passed through and passed over - passed over the house where he layed in wait and destroyed all others.

Everything here is full of meaning as we think about the sacrificial lamb.

V. 22 - It tells us that this blood was to be on the door post of the house. And this is symbolic of purification - the hysop is.

V. 9 - The unleaven bread was to be eaten in sincerity and in truth. The lamb was to be roasted and served. But it was not to be a divided lamb - but the entire lamb was surrendered.

Jesus, lamb of God, presented his whole body in life.

Israel professed their faith in the coming deliverer when they dressed the lamb, put on their clothes, their staff, and waited the signal of redemption.

This is a noble testimony of people's faith. The judgement at the midnight hour was judgement upon all the Gods of Egypt.

4 - Polymath Left - Leave your Bondage of Slavery Now - Take Family, Heals

V. 31 - When at last the stroke descended upon Egypt, hastily Pharaoh called Moses and Aaron in that night of terror. He dismissed them unconditionally. And he asked that they leave a blessing behind in the 32nd verse.

Now the (lamb) here is a (type) a type of the (Gospel). The pass-over before the Gospel - I Cor. 5:7 - Paul says, (Christ), our Pass-Over is celebrated for us.

I Peter 1:18 - "For as much as you know that you were not redeemed with corruptible things as silver and gold from your vain conversation, received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ as of the lamb without blemish and without spot. Who verily was fore-ordained before the foundation of the world - but we manifest in these last times for you."

So there is (one thing) about this deliverance night - it was the (lamb). For redemption - the death of the lamb.

Now the (death) on the cross opens the flood-gate of (love) and pardon for all. The life of Jesus Christ is not sufficient. His atoning sacrificial death - Pilate said, I find no fault in him. "Thus without the shedding of blood - there is no remission of sins. His obedient life was not the thing that secured salvation.

The (veil) in the temple would still be unrant blocking our approach to God. It was his death which opened that curtain from the top to the bottom. He is the mediator of the New Testament. According to Hebrews 9:15 - Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance and faith.

The wonderful thing about salvation as (John 12:24) says, verily, verily, I say

except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die - it abideth alone. But if it dies - it brings forth much fruit. Now Jesus tasted death for every man. It is with his stripes - not by his obedience or his life, that we are healed. It is the cost and through his own self, he bore our sins in his own body upon the tree.

When he sees the God, he will pass over you.

No doubt many Israelites would consider this a way that was peculiar. And would hardly be able to understand it - but they must obey or die.

Suppose some of them said - some other way.

Now the method of God is the only effective method there is.

This night of deliverance had a second thing about it. It brought security and peace. Because the atonement is full, final, adequate. We do not inherit it - it is a gift of God. It is something that no one can help.

A traveler in the wilderness found a cottage. It was very lonely. The next day as he proceeded to leave, he asked the folks if they were not afraid to live in this lonely place. Oh no, responded the wonderful woman. Faithly closes the door at night and mercy opens it in the morning. That is exactly what happened to Israel that night. Faith closed that door - and the mercy of God opened it for them to leave.

I may illustrate it with a story in the East Indies. There is a tree that natives felt was not a conductor of lightning. It would hit other trees. And so each time there was a storm, the family would gather beneath this tree, and as loud thunder would roar, they thought that they were safe under the out-spreading branches of this tree. And so amid the storms of life there is the tree of life - the saviour of sins and beneath that cross, the lightning of judgement can never reach us. And we

leave a note of cheat.

4.

Mother + daughter went into a store - coming out the mother said to her daughter - Did you see that SATASTIC look that clerk gave me. No mother - she didn't give it to you - you had it on your face when you went in the store -

Let people see Jesus in you.

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A MINISTER TALKING WITH A GROUP OF young boys + girls. He ASK: "Why does God show himself to some people AND NOT to others?" A 13yr. old lad ANSWERED "I think that God shows himself to those that WANT to see Him."

DO YOU WANT to see Him TODAY?  
Come in FAITH AND you CAN see Him.

Feed the Pope

look like all the other houses in Egypt. I want to look like the people of the world and I don't want to separate myself from them. What would have happened?

The Lord said that the blood was the only display. Where the world might know and see. But his is an Israelite that is ashamed of his faith. And the salvation that God has provided. What about that man. What if he refused. He is lost.

*Bellehach Road*  
*Benefit*  
The death angel shall look for the blood on the door post - if he cannot

find it - there is nothing that will stand between that man's soul and Hell.

*Visualize man going to work - man must say "Dread swamp burning its banks, carrying Death & Destruction if there is somebody here yet to let the people know - By timely warning he saved the lives of many people"*

The Christian faith must be perfectly unashamed, avowed, and trusted in Christ.

Salvation calls for an open stand. Thou shall confess with thou mouth. Whosoever shall confess and shall be ashamed of Christ is unworthy of him. If we are to trust

in him, we must openly take our stand. So our faith in Christ must be open and in public. We must take our stand in the public.

*Robland*  
*Funeral*  
*Yesterday*  
*Man - front want you know I wanted to tell*  
*my wife - I thought it's about time - I wanted to*  
*Baptist*

Rev. 7:13 - Tells us that when God's judgement shall descend again, the elders answered and said - who are these that are arrayed in white robes. And the answer, these are they that came out of the great tribulation. And have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the lamb.

Too Busy to die! Wealthy English Manufacturer - Busy Day + old Clerk.  
"Let not eat, drink, for tomorrow we die." Not that I have any thought of dying for some years to come.  
For my part - I'm so engaged in Business that I cannot find time to die.  
Walking these words passed into next room, fell down a corpse -

Dying man could stop the clock - Eyes riveted on clock, being opposite his bed, cried out "Stop that clock!"  
Knew he was dying, was not ready to die.  
Had impression would die at midnight -  
Hear constant ticking of clock -  
Saw hands approaching midnight hour, & he had no hope.

- 1 - substitute hand
- 2 - open Profession
- 3 - Selection made plain in this showings

V.31A-36  
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In the fourth place - that night of deliverance meant they would serve the Lord. Now as I discussed with you their response, the matter of provision of grace has been offered - but it is not good unless there is simple trust and obedience.

V.36

Had any son of Abraham despised the provision of safety and deliverance, that which had protected them during the plagues, he would (not have been saved.)

The difference between the Egyptian and the Israelite on that dark night of judgement is that that Israel was fair or perfect, not that Israel was deserving - not that they merited this - but while Egypt was sinful - but the difference on that night of judgement laying a spirit of acceptance or ejection of God's mercy.

The saved were those who publicly set apart their homes. And the blood was openly exhibited through an unshamed act of faith.

Suppose an Israelite had said, I refuse this kind of theology. And I do not believe in this kind of sacrifice.

I wonder if the modern day, some people do not have the same idea, when we think about the arts and the sciences of Egypt. Why that seems foolish to sprinkle blood upon the door. That this house is under superstition.

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There might have been some that had pride. There would would have been tears and death in the morning. Suppose an Israelite had said, I will sprinkle the blood inside my house where no one can see it. I will try to be a secret disciple. I will put it on the back side of the house where no one will ever know that I am a Christian or a follower of God.

I will just refuse to strike this hyssop on the door post. I want my house to



have no shelter for our sin except in the lamb of God.

So Israel left because they had the lamb. And second, the deliverance brought security.

V. 2, 37

And third the way of salvation was made plain in this deliverance.

Chapter 12 - Verse 2 - The Bible says that this is going to be the beginning of months - it is going to be the first month of the year for you. And this is a great contrast. This is the beginning of spiritual life. Truly this event is an event of all time. When that destroying angel came to bring judgement even in the midst of sin - in a land of the world in type - if they would only get a lamb and sprinkle the door post. That was simple. A lamb set apart for four days.

There was to be no delay. Until the last moment of departure for Egypt, and in haste and other business forgotten, or they might detect a blemish. This had to be done ahead of time. They would carry out their duty.

The Canaan land was promised to them.

This is exactly what happens through the plan of salvation as we know it.

V. 37 - That was the starting point - they were on the border of the desert.

And as they left, they stopped at Succoth - which was a temporary encampment.

Now if we understand our conversion experience properly - this life here is temporary and we are going to have to go to a disciplined life for their test - but the wilderness journey is real.