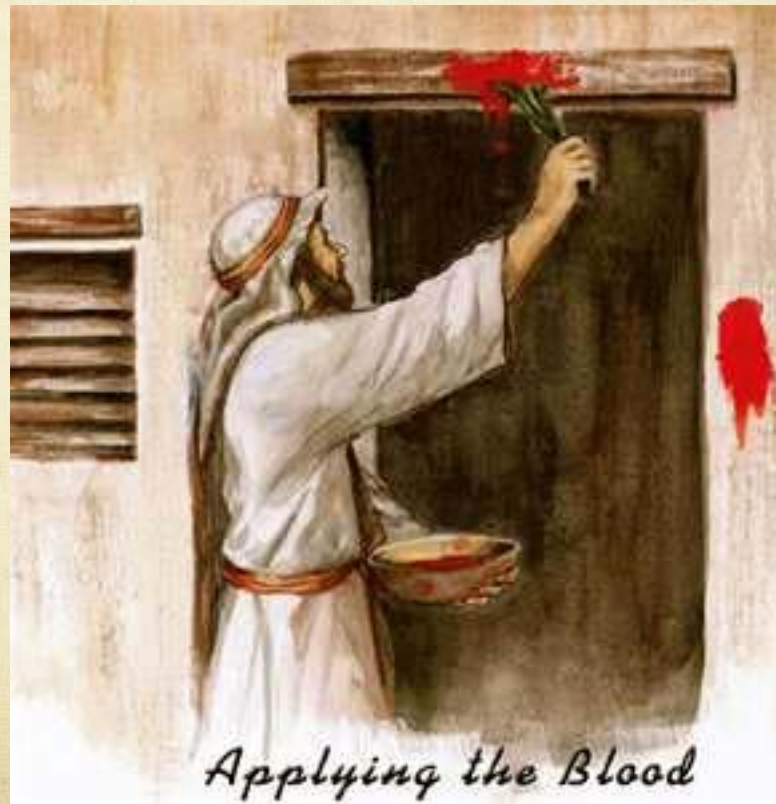


# Passover – The First Of The Year...

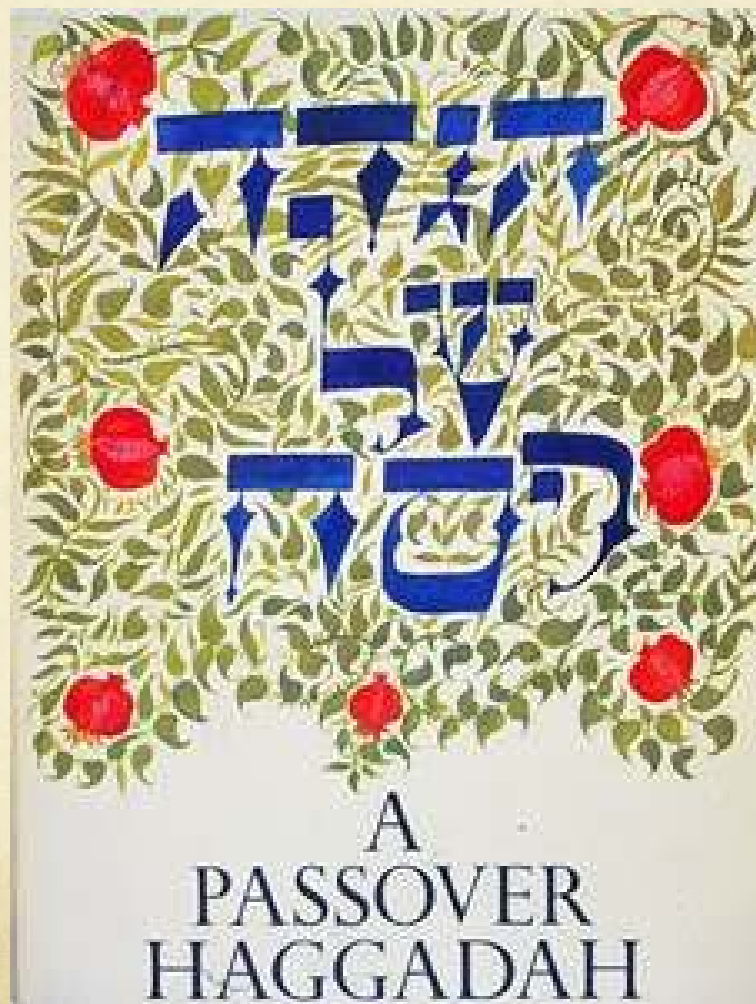


# The Exodus Narrative

○ Ex. 12:1-14 The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt, “This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat. The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats. Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the people of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight. Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs. That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. Do not eat the meat raw or cooked in water, but roast it over the fire—head, legs and inner parts. Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it. This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the LORD’S Passover.

○ “On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn—both men and animals—and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD. The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt. This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD—a lasting ordinance.

# The Haggadah



# The Order of Service

- Kiddush – the cup of blessing
- Mah Nishta Nah – the four questions
  - Why is this night different from all other nights?
  - On this night we only eat unleavened bread. Why?
  - On this night we dip the sop twice. Why?
  - On this night we eat bitter herbs. Why?
  - On this night we recline at tale. Why?

# The Order of Service II

- The Matzoh Tosh
  - Three layers of matzoh each separated from the other
  - Head of household removes middle layer & breaks in half
  - He hides part somewhere in the house, it is called; Afikomen - Greek meaning “He who comes after”
  - The Seder can not be concluded until the Afikomen is found and brought back to the table



# The Order of Service III

- The Seder Plate
  - Karpas – parsley – represents life – dipped in salt water representing tears
  - Maror – bitter herb – tears for slavery
  - Charoseth – apple mixture representing the bricks made in Egypt for Pharaoh
  - Beitzeh – bitter root = root of life is full of bitterness
  - Hagiggah – egg roasted & dipped in salt water recalling the sacrifices at the Temple in Jerusalem
  - Zaroah – the shank bone of a lamb



# The Order of Service IV

- The telling of the story of deliverance from Egypt
  - 430 years of bondage – cry went up to God
  - God heard our cry and called Moses from burning bush
  - Moses and Aaron to Pharaoh, “LET MY PEOPLE GO!”
  - 1<sup>ST</sup> nine times the answer was no and God harden Pharaoh’s heart > plagues poured out against Egypt. Jewish people not touch by 1<sup>st</sup> nine plagues though living right in the midst of them in Goshen.

# The Order of Service V

- 10<sup>th</sup> plague different: no automatic exemption for Israel.
- God made provision -
  - Yearling lambs set aside on 10<sup>th</sup> of Nissan
  - Examined for 4 days to make sure they are spotless lambs
  - On 14<sup>th</sup> of Nissan at twilight they are sacrificed
  - Blood put in basin and applied to doorposts with hyssop
  - Rest of animal was roasted and eaten that night
  - When he saw the blood he passed over those homes protecting them from the Angel of Death that took the lives of the firstborn both mankind and beasts.

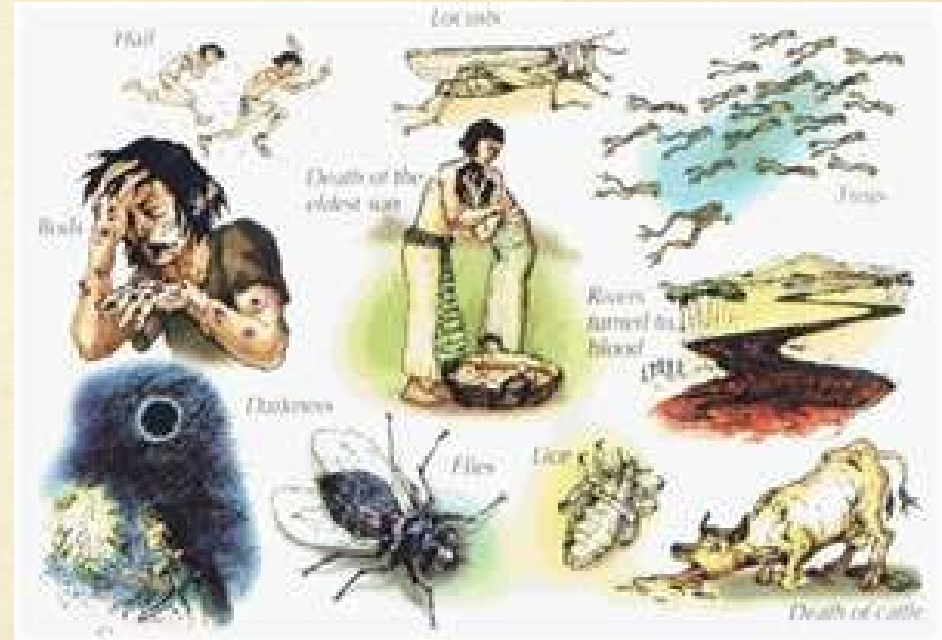




# The Order of Service VI

- The second cup of wine: Hallel – cup of praise or cup of plagues. 10 drops removed as names of 10 plagues called out:

- Blood            Darkness
- Frogs            Cattle disease
- Boils            Locusts
- Lice              Flies
- Hail              Death of the firstborn



# The Order of Service VII

- The Passover meal



# The Order of Service VIII

- The search for the Afikomen – a game for the children
  - Reward promised to one who finds it
  - Reward is not given that night but 50 days later = Shavuot (Pentecost).
  - Gift us called Peasch Gelt (Passover money)

Afikomen is shared with those around the table and the Third Cup is taken = the afikomen and cup of wine=

THE CUP OF REDEMPTION.



# HOW IS REDEMPTION SEEN IN 3<sup>RD</sup> CUP?

## ○ THE BREAD

- Unleavened - leaven = symbol of sin in Bible
- Has stripes on it - By His stripes, we are healed (Isa 53)
- Is pierced through - He was pierced for our transgressions (Isa 53)
- Bread is middle layer of three in Matzoh Tosh
  - Some rabbis say this is a mysterious three in one
    - Represents 3 patriarchs: Abraham, Isaac & Jacob
    - Represents 3 groups of people: High priests, Levites, rest of Israel
    - Represents 3 crowns: Kingship, Priesthood learning
  - But we propose a different three in one: the Trinity

# HOW IS REDEMPTION SEEN IN 3<sup>RD</sup> CUP?

- The wine used is only RED wine picturing the shed blood of the first Passover lambs which led to deliverance from bondage and slavery in Egypt
- The Blood of Jesus - His shed blood delivers all who believe from bondage and slavery to sin.
- The bread and the cup make up the Cup of redemption.

# Communion

- It was the cup taken at Passover, after supper, that Jesus instituted the New Covenant in His blood.
- We celebrate that whenever we take the bread and the wine.



# The Order of Service IX

- The 4<sup>th</sup> cup – The Cup of Elijah
- Remember the law of my servant Moses, the decrees and laws I gave him at Horeb. See, I will send you the prophet Elijah before that great and dreadful day of the LORD comes. He will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers; or else I will come and strike the land with a curse.”

Malachi 4:4-6



# The End of the Seder

- The front door opened to welcome Elijah to the Passover.
- Psalms of praise from 110-116 recited.
- The ending of the seder





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