

Christ Our Passover by D.A. Carson For the Love of God, March 1

The Passover was not only the climax of the ten plagues, it was the beginning of the nation. Doubtless Pharaoh had had enough of Moses; God had had enough of Pharaoh. This last plague wiped out the firstborn of the land, the symbol of strength, the nation's pride and hope. At the same time, by his design it afforded God an opportunity to teach some important lessons, in graphic form, to the Israelites. If the angel of death was to pass through the land, what principle would distinguish the homes that suffered death from those where everyone survived?

God tells the Israelites to gather in houses, each house bringing together enough people to eat one entire year-old lamb. Careful instructions are provided for the preparation of the meal. The strangest of these instructions is that a daub of blood is to be splashed on the top and both sides of the doorframe: "and when I see the blood, I will pass over you" (Ex. 12:13).

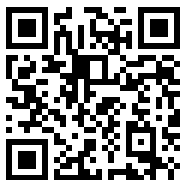
The importance of this event cannot be overestimated. It signaled not only the release of the Israelites from slavery, but the dawning of a new covenant with their Redeemer. At the same time, it constituted a picture: guilty people face death, and the only way to escape that sentence is if a lamb dies instead of those who are sentenced to die. The calendar changes to mark the importance of this turning point.

A millennium and a half later, Paul would remind believers in Corinth that Christ Jesus, our Passover Lamb, was sacrificed for us, inaugurating a new covenant (1 Cor. 5:7; 11:25). On the night that he was betrayed, Jesus took bread and wine, and instituted a new commemorative rite—and this too took place on the festival of Passover, as if this new rite connects the old with that to which it points: the death of Christ. The calendar changed again; a new and climactic redemption had been achieved. God still passes over those who are secured by the blood.

Events

7/9-12 Summer VisionYouth
Conference
7/20-24 Vacation Bible
School 6 PM

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Upcoming Events



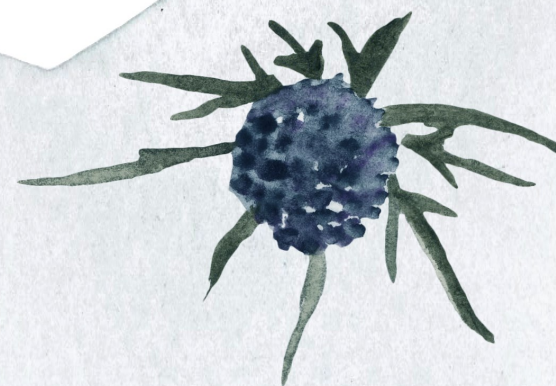
Pastors

Stephen Byrd Stu Johnston
Michael Lopes Bob Prentice

Service Times

—Sunday School 9:30 am
—Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 am
—Sunday Evening Worship 5:30 pm
—Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:15 pm

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May the God of hope fill you with
all joy and peace in believing,
so that by the power of the Holy
Spirit you may abound in hope.

Romans 15:13



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GRACE
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Morning Worship

Call to Worship Opening Hymn

Pastor Stephen Byrd In Christ Alone

In Christ alone, my hope is found. He is my light, my strength, my song;
this Cornerstone, this Solid Ground; firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace; when fears are stilled, when strivings
cease.

My Comforter, my All in All; here in the love of Christ I stand!

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh; fullness of God in helpless Babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
'Til on that cross as Jesus died; the wrath of God was satisfied.
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live!

There in the ground His body lay. Light of the world by darkness slain;
then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
for I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ!

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny!

***No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand;
'til He returns or calls me home; here in the power of Christ I'll stand!
(repeat)***

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Scripture Reading Pastoral Prayer Preparatory Hymn Sermon Closing Song

Acts 21:37—22:29, page 931

#271 How Sweet and Awful Randy Pizzino I Need No Other

My faith has found a resting place
Not in device or creed
I trust the ever living One
For me his wounds shall plead

(Chorus) I need no other argument

I need no other plea

**It is enough that Jesus died
And that He died for me**

It's enough for me that Jesus saves
This ends my fear and doubt
A sinful soul I come to Him
He'll never cast me out **(Chorus)**

My great Physician heals the sick
The lost He came to save
For me His precious blood was spilled
For me His life He gave **(Chorus 2x)**

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Evening Worship

Call to Worship Opening Hymn

Brad Hicks How Great is Our God

The splendor of a king, Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice, All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light, And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice, Trembles at His voice.

**(Chorus) How great is our God, Sing with me
How great is our God, And all will see
How great, how great is our God**

Age to age He stands, And time is in His hands,
eginning and the end, Beginning and the end
The Godhead Three in One: Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb, The Lion and the Lamb. **(Chorus)**

**(Bridge 2x) Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God
(Chorus 2x)**

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Scripture Reading Pastoral Prayer Preparatory Hymn

Acts 22:30—23:11, page 932

Show Us Christ

Prepare our hearts, O God, help us to receive
Break the hard and stony ground, help our unbelief
Plant Your Word down deep in us, cause it to bear fruit
Open up our ears to hear, lead us in Your truth

**(CHORUS) Show us Christ, show us Christ
O God, reveal Your glory
Through the preaching of Your Word
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord**

Your Word is living light upon our darkened eyes
Guards us through temptations, makes the simple wise
Your Word is food for famished ones, freedom for the slave
Riches for the needy soul; come, speak to us today **(CHORUS)**

BRIDGE (3x)

**Where else can we go, Lord,
where else can we go?
You have the words of eternal life**

**(CHORUS)
Show us Christ, show us Christ
Show us Christ, show us Christ
O God, reveal Your glory
Through the preaching of Your Word
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord**

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Sermon Closing Song

Pastor Mike Karns My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness