

Up From Slavery

A man / A people / A plan

PASSOVER:
INSIGHTS INTO TRUE WORSHIP
EXODUS 13:1-16

The LORD said to Moses, ² “Consecrate to me every firstborn male. The first offspring of every womb among the Israelites belongs to me, whether man or animal.”

³ Then Moses said to the people, “Commemorate this day, the day you came out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery, because the LORD brought you out of it with a mighty hand. Eat nothing containing yeast. ⁴ Today, in the month of Abib, you are leaving. ⁵ When the LORD brings you into the land of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Hivites and Jebusites—the land he swore to your forefathers to give you, a land flowing with milk and honey—you are to observe this ceremony in this month: ⁶ For seven days eat bread made without yeast and on the seventh day hold a festival to the LORD. ⁷ Eat unleavened bread during

those seven days; nothing with yeast in it is to be seen among you, nor shall any yeast be seen anywhere within your borders.

⁸ On that day tell your son, 'I do this because of what the LORD did for me when I came out of Egypt.' ⁹ This observance will be for you like a sign on your hand and a reminder on your forehead that the law of the LORD is to be on your lips. For the LORD brought you out of Egypt with his mighty hand. ¹⁰ You must keep this ordinance at the appointed time year after year.

¹¹ "After the LORD brings you into the land of the Canaanites and gives it to you, as he promised on oath to you and your forefathers, ¹² you are to give over to the LORD the first offspring of every womb. All the firstborn males of your livestock belong to the LORD. ¹³ Redeem with a lamb every

firstborn donkey, but if you do not redeem it, break its neck.
Redeem every firstborn among your sons.

"We who worship the true, and living God would be better, if not completely different, if we worshiped Him better. For to worship Him as we ought is to become what we ought."

Ben Patterson: Inspiring Quotations; compiled by Wells, Albert M., P.221

"To worship is to quicken the conscience by the holiness of God, to feed the mind with the truth of God, to purge the imagination by the beauty of God, to open the heart to the love of God, to devote the will to the purpose of God.

William Temple: Inspiring Quotations; compiled by Wells, Albert M., P.221

Insights into Worship

1. Worship is our calling

- a) God is the one who requires worship
- b) God sets the parameters for worship
- c) Worship is a privilege not a burden

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2. Worship requires preparation

- a) The OT construct
- b) A stark contrast
- c) Reflection required

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3. Worship demands consecration

- a) The Exodus pattern
- b) A powerful example
- c) A powerful recognition

To Go . . .

- Is worship a spectator sport?
- Whose expectations determine your pattern of worship?
- What does your pattern of worship say about the significance God in your life?