The Power of the Passover

Exodus 12:1-15, 17, 21, 23-28

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"Say therefore to the people of Israel, 'I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment." Exodus 6:6 (English Standard Version)

"You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode." Exodus 15:13 (ESV)

"To redeem" = Hebrew *ga'al* = the payment of a ransom for deliverance

God provides redemption so that we may <u>safely stand before Him.</u> (Exodus 12:1-13)

For you know that ... you were redeemed ... ¹⁹... with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. 1 Peter 1:18-19 (New International Version)

Two Things Kept the People Safe Before God

• They were saved by the <u>blood of the lamb</u>.

For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. 1 Corinthians 5:7b (NIV)

• The people were saved <u>through faith</u>: They believed God's Word and acted upon it.

Remembering God's redemption enables us to <u>stay centered in our Redeemer</u>. (Exodus 12:14-28)

... we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. Hebrews 10:10 (NIV)

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45 (NIV)

For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave himself as a ransom for all . . . 1 Timothy 2:5-6 (ESV)