

Lesson XI.

THE PASSOVER

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Exodus 12: 1-17. Verses 3-14 only printed, as recommended by the International S.S. Lesson Committee. Memory Verses, 12-14.

Golden Text—Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.—1 Cor. 5: 7.



3 Speak ye unto all the congregation of Is'rael, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house :

4 And if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls ; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb.

5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year : ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats :

6 And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month : and the whole assembly of the congregation of Is'rael shall kill it in the evening.

7 And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it.

8 And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread ; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it.

9 Eat not of it raw, nor sodden

at all with water, but roast with fire ; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof.

10 And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning ; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire.

11 And thus shall ye eat it ; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand ; and ye shall eat it in haste : it is the LORD's passover.

12 For I will pass through the land of E'gypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of E'gypt, both man and beast ; and against all the gods of E'gypt I will execute judgment : I am the LORD.

13 And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are ; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of E'gypt.

14 And this day shall be unto you for a memorial ; and ye shall keep it a feast to the LORD throughout your generations ; ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever.

THE LESSON RETOLD

Before God sent His angel to destroy the first-born among the Egyptians, He called Moses and Aaron and showed them His plan for saving the children of Israel alive.

And God said "Let every father among you choose one of his best lambs and when it is killed, let him take a bunch of twigs and dip it in the blood of the lamb and sprinkle

it over the door-posts outside his house. And it shall be that when I pass through the land to destroy the first-born, it shall be a sign unto Me, and I will spare every household where I see the blood upon the door."

And the Lord commanded that upon that same evening each family in Israel should roast a lamb and keep a feast with bitter