



Trait #21  
“Not Judging Themselves”

Day 1

Let's start this week by reviewing the original Passover. Begin by reading **Exodus 12:1-14**. If you are not familiar with this event, take a few minutes to read **Exodus 11** to help you see more of the story.

What do you see as being the main focus of this story?

Why was it important for the lamb's blood to be placed on the outside of the door frame of their houses?

What do you think would have happened had they eaten the meal as instructed but failed to apply the blood as instructed?

According to Exodus 12:5, what condition was the lamb they chose to be in?

Take a moment to think about the phrase, “When I see the blood, I will pass over you.” Try to place yourself in a Jewish home in Egypt that night. Do you think you would have looked at it differently then than perhaps you did today? How thankful do you think you would have been for the blood of the lamb?

## Day 2

Death was coming to Egypt (Exodus 12:12) the night of the Passover. Protection was provided because of God's great love for His people.

Read **Exodus 12:13**. What was the only protection from death?

Read **Romans 3:23**. Who has sinned according this verse? Is anyone exempt from sin?

Read **Romans 6:23**. What is earned as a result of sin?

Take a moment to think about this. The Israelites had no say in what was happening in Egypt that night, but they were offered protection. How much say did you have in God's view of sin and the effect of sin? Yet, the Bible is clear that we have all sinned and there is a price to pay for that sin.

How did the Israelites bondage to slavery in Egypt compare to our bondage to the slavery of sin?

God sent Moses to deliver the Israelites from bondage in Egypt. Who did He send to deliver us from the bondage of sin?

Take a moment to write word-for-word John 3:16. Think about each word as you write them.

### Day 3

Take a moment to reflect on how you felt yesterday as you were writing the words of John 3:16. What emotions did you experience?

Read **John 1:29** and **John 1:36**.

What word was used to describe the person John was talking about?

Who was this man? (John 1:36)?

Why would John refer to Jesus as “the Lamb of God?”

List some similarities between the Passover Lamb and the Lamb of God. Don't feel bad if you can't come up with five. The numbers are put there only for convenience. One example has been provided.

Passover Lamb	Lamb of God (Jesus)
1) Chosen (by the family)	1) Chosen (by God)
2)	2)
3)	3)
4)	4)
5)	5)

What connection(s) are you seeing between the Passover lamb and Jesus?

## Day 4

Refer back to day one when you were reflecting on what it might have been like to be in a Jewish home that night in Egypt. Think now for a moment about how you would have viewed the lamb. It died so you could live. Think about the thoughts that would have gone through your mind as you chewed each bite of the lamb. Think about the feelings that might have come over you if you went outside for a moment and saw the lamb's blood on the door posts. Think about the feeling of peace and safety you would have felt.

**Read I Corinthians 11:24-26**

What does the bread represent?

How was Christ's body "broken" for you?

What does the juice represent?

During tonight's Groups we will be taking communion. As you chew the bread which represents the Lamb's (Jesus) body, how can you use that to reflect on the significance of what Jesus did for you?

As you drink the juice which represents the Lamb's (Jesus) blood, how can you use that moment to reflect on the significance of the Lamb's blood in your life?

As you go through the day today, think about the significance of the Lamb (Jesus) and what it means in your personal life. Take some time to thank Him for what He has done. It is very likely that communion will take on a whole new meaning to you tonight.

## Day 5

Read **Romans 6:23**, **Romans 5:8**, **Romans 10:9-10**, and **Romans 10:13**.

Romans 6:23 tells us that the gift God is eternal life. Through whom does this gift come according to this verse?

What does the death of Jesus on the cross show us according to Romans 5:8?

According to Romans 10:9-10, what does one need to do to be saved?

According to Romans 10:13, who can do this?

If you have been saved for a short time or for a very long time, take a moment right now to meditate on what it really means to be saved. Let God remind you of what He has done for you.

If you have never been saved by personally accepting Jesus into your heart consider the following prayer:

“Lord, I come to you with a sinful heart. I know that my sin hurts you and that it keeps me from being right with you. I confess my sin and ask you to forgive me. I surrender my heart to you right now. I will no longer trust in the good things I do to get me to heaven. I accept your finished work right now for my salvation. Amen.”

If you will pray that prayer from your heart, God will forgive your sins and you will be in right standing with Him!