



Jesus, Our Deliverer!

April 14, 2024 – Exodus 12:15-20; Deut. 16:3-4
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The Feast of Unleavened Bread (Exodus 12:15-20)

1. The Specifics:
 - a. It was a week-long event to remember that God **delivered** Israel from Egypt.
 - b. The first and last day of the event were **Sabbath** days.
 - c. They were not to eat bread with **leaven** in it for those seven days.
 - d. They were to **rid** their houses and territories from leaven for the week.
2. The Significance:
 - a. There is a necessary **connection** between Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread.
 - b. Unleavened bread was to remind Israel they were delivered from **Egypt**.
 - c. Unleavened bread was to remind them they were delivered from a life of slavery to a life of **freedom**.
 - d. Unleavened bread was to remind them to **worship** God alone.

Jesus' Connection to Unleavened Bread

1. He is the **Bread** of Life!
2. His body is the unleavened bread of the **Passover** seder.

Is this Relevant to us?

1. It reminds us that we have been delivered **from** sin.
2. It reminds us that we have been delivered **to** a life of sincere worship.

Discussion Questions:

1. Read the entire chapter of 1 Corinthians 5. What is Paul’s overall point? What is the connection with the feast of unleavened bread?
2. Positionally, believers are “unleavened”... made right in the eyes of God; However, we don’t always live like we are “unleavened”. Why is it so important for believers to align their practice with their position?
3. Leaven represents sin or idolatry in how Paul uses it. Are you willing to share what “leaven” needs to be purged from your life?
4. What practical action or actions can you take to purge the “leaven” from your life?
5. How can the community of faith (church/Life Group/DGroup) help one another purge “leaven” from our lives?
6. What action are you going to take as a result of what God’s Word teaches?

Next Steps:

1. If you would like to become a follower of Jesus, please let us know. Pastor Jon will be down front after the service and would love to connect.
2. If you are interested in baptism, let Pastor Jon know in person or email him at pj@fbclowell.org.
3. Read the Bible with us to know God and respond to Him! Below is our current schedule.

| April 2024 | | | | |
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| Week 1 Starting Apr 1 | Week 2 Starting Apr 8 | Week 3 Starting Apr 15 | Week 4 Starting Apr 22 | Week 5 Starting Apr 29 |
| Day 1: Psalm 128 - 131 | Day 1: Psalm 143, 144 | Day 1: Genesis 2 | Day 1: Genesis 7 | Day 1: Genesis 12 |
| Day 2: Psalm 132 - 134 | Day 2: Psalm 145, 146 | Day 2: Genesis 3 | Day 2: Genesis 8 | Day 2: Genesis 13 |
| Day 3: Psalm 135, 136 | Day 3: Psalm 147, 148 | Day 3: Genesis 4 | Day 3: Genesis 9 | Day 3: Genesis 14 |
| Day 4: Psalm 137 - 139 | Day 4: Psalm 149, 150 | Day 4: Genesis 5 | Day 4: Genesis 10 | Day 4: Genesis 15 |
| Day 5: Psalm 140 - 142 | Day 5: Genesis 1 | Day 5: Genesis 6 | Day 5: Genesis 11 | Day 5: Genesis 16 |
| <p>¹³ The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.</p> <p>¹⁴ “I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—</p> <p style="text-align: right;">John 10: 13, 14 (NIV)</p> | | | | |

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