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Text: Ex 12:26-27, 36, 41

REMEMBER THE FINALITY OF THE SACRIFICE

Ex 12:26-27

²⁶ "And when your children say to you, 'What do you mean by this service?' ²⁷ you shall say, 'It is the sacrifice of the Lord's Passover, for he passed over the houses of the people of Israel in Egypt, when he struck the Egyptians but spared our houses.'" And the people bowed their heads and worshiped.

Remember the sacrifice

Luke 22:19-20

¹⁹ And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁰ And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.

Remember He passed over you

1 Cor. 5:7

Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb has been sacrificed.

Remember He spared you

Rom. 5:18-19

¹⁸ Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. ¹⁹ For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Remember to worship

Rom 12:1

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

The sacrifice is final

Hebrews 9:13-14

¹³ For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify for the purification of the flesh, ¹⁴ how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Romans 6:9-10

⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God.

Ex. 12:36

REMEMBER THE FAVOR OF THE SAVIOR

And the <u>Lord had given the people favor</u> in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they let them have what they asked. <u>Thus they plundered the Egyptians.</u>

Remember God has given HIS PEOPLE favor

Eph. 1:3, 4

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him.

Remember that we plunder the enemies' storehouses

2 Cor. 10:3-6

³ For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh. ⁴ For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. ⁵ We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ, ⁶ being ready to punish every disobedience, when your obedience is complete.

REMEMBER THE FREEDOM FROM THE SHACKLES

Ex. 12:41

At the end of 430 years, <u>on that very day</u>, all the hosts of the Lord went out from the land of Egypt.

Remember that the bondage is over

Romans 6:6-7

⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For one who has died has been set free from sin.

Remember that the Hosts of the Lord come out

Gal 5:1

For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

We remember the death, burial and resurrection

Romans 6:8-11

⁸ Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

We live because He died for us

2 Corinthians 5:14-15

¹⁴ For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. ¹⁵ And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

A Hindu fakir, a religious ascetic who lives solely on alms, with matted hair and ash-besmeared body, was sitting under a tree in deep meditation. His eyes fell on the leaves of a torn book which someone had tossed away. It was part of the New Testament. He smoothed out the crumpled pages, and read words which brought strange comfort to his hungry soul. He set out to seek for someone who obeyed the Book. He found an Englishman who confessed he obeyed it. The fakir, delighted, noticed that the Englishman wore a black band on his arm, and concluded that this was the distinctive sign of a Christian. So he put a black band on his own arm, and when people asked him who he was, he pointed to the band, and told them. Sometime later the fakir wandered for the first time into a church building, and listened to a Christian preacher. At the close he announced that he too, was a follower of this way, and pointed to the band as a proof. They explained that it was an English sign of the death of some loved friend. The fakir mused for a moment; then he answered: "But I read in the Book that my loved One has died, and I shall wear it in memory of Him." Before long, however, he grasped the truth of the resurrection, and when he realized that his loved One was alive for evermore, a great joy filled his heart. He took off the band from his arm, and the light of the resurrection shone in his face as he witnessed of the resurrected Lord.

We operate as if we ourselves are in prison; that no power can save us. And you are right! You can live that way....Not believing in forgiveness. Not believing in healing. Not taking hold of life and hanging on to dead man's clothes.

Place your faith in Christ. Look to a risen Lord to find the life and live the life The victory is won! Will you walk in that victory? The choice is yours. Live your life as a dead man, OR LIVE!

- 1. Your voice
- 2. Your choice