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THE QUARTERS LESSON: EXODUS

THIS WEEKS LESSON: PASSOVER

MEMORY TEXT: Exodus 12:26-27 (NKJV) “And it shall be, when your children say to you, ‘What do you mean by this service?’ (27) that you shall say, ‘It is the Passover sacrifice of the LORD, who passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt when He struck the Egyptians and delivered our households.’ ” So the people bowed their heads and worshiped.”

The tenth and last plague is about to fall. The last warning is given; the final decision must be made. It's truly a matter of life or death. Not only the life of an individual, but the prosperity of families and the entire nation is at stake. Pharaoh and his officials will be responsible for the fate of many people, either for life or for death. His attitude toward the living God of Israel will determine not just his future but that of his nation.

God is more than willing to grant us wisdom, understanding, and power to do what is right.

1 Corinthians 1:30 (NKJV) “But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption—”
Philippians 2:13 (NKJV) “for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure.”

ONE MORE PLAGUE

The prophet Amos declares that “ **Amos 3:7 (NKJV) “Surely the Lord GOD does nothing, Unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets.”**, and through the prophet Moses He revealed to Pharaoh what was coming next. The most solemn warning was given to Pharaoh. This will be a just judgment upon pride, exploitation, violence, and idolatry, all of which have triggered these calamities upon Egypt.

Exodus 11:1-10 (NKJV) “(1) And the LORD said to Moses, “I will bring one more plague on Pharaoh and on Egypt. Afterward he will let you go from here. When he lets you go, he will surely drive you out of here altogether. (2) Speak now in the hearing of the people, and let every man ask from his neighbor and every woman from her neighbor, articles of silver and articles of gold.” (3) And the LORD gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover the man Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of the Egyptians. (4) Then Moses said,

“Thus says the LORD: ‘About midnight I will go out into the midst of Egypt; (5) and all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sits on his throne, even to the firstborn of the female servant who is behind the handmill, and all the firstborn of the animals. (6) Then there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as was not like it before, nor shall be like it again. (7) But against none of the children of Israel shall a dog move its tongue, against man or beast, that you may know that the LORD does make a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.’ (8) And all these your servants shall come down to me and bow down to me, saying, “Get out, and all the people who follow you!” After that I will go out.” Then he went out from Pharaoh in great anger. (9) But the LORD said to Moses, “Pharaoh will not heed you, so that My wonders may be multiplied in the land of Egypt.” (10) So Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh; and the LORD hardened Pharaoh’s heart, and he did not let the children of Israel go out of his land.”

What warning did God give before executing judgment upon Egypt?

1. For three days God sent a precursor warning by covering Egypt with darkness.
 - a. **Exodus 10:23 (NKJV)** “They did not see one another; nor did anyone rise from his place for three days. But all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.”
 - i. **God always send a warning before a judgment.**
 2. God plummeted the wealth of Egypt to cripple their disobedience against Him and compensate Israel for their years of labor.
 - a. **Exodus 11:2-3 (NKJV)** “(2) Speak now in the hearing of the people, and let every man ask from his neighbor and every woman from her neighbor, articles of silver and articles of gold.” (3) And the LORD gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover the man Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh’s servants and in the sight of the people.”
 3. The tenth Egyptian plague symbolized God’s complete wrath against Egypt. The purpose of it was to show a difference between those that serve Him and those that do not serve Him
 - a. **Exodus 11:7 (NKJV)** “But against none of the children of Israel shall a dog move its tongue, against man or beast, that you may know that the LORD does make a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.”
- Also, the number ten is significant in biblical symbolism.
 - Ten represents fullness or completeness.
 - The Ten Commandments as a complete revelation of the divine moral law.
 - The ten Egyptian plagues is God’s full expression of His justice and retribution.

God is the Judge, and He is against pride, injustice, discrimination, arrogance, exploitation, cruelty, and selfishness. He is on the side of the sufferers, the abused, the mistreated, and the persecuted. God will execute justice, which truly is another expression of His love.

1. Psalm 2:12 (NKJV) “Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, And you perish in the way, When His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.”
 - a. God honors those that trust Him explicitly.
2. Psalm 33:5 (NKJV) “He loves righteousness and justice; The earth is full of the goodness of the LORD.”
 - a. God displays His blessings on those that are allegiant to Him.
3. Psalm 85:11 (NKJV) “Truth shall spring out of the earth, And righteousness shall look down from heaven.”
 - a. There is no lack to those that are obedient to the Lord.
4. Psalm 89:14 (NKJV) “Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne; Mercy and truth go before Your face.”
 - a. The blessings of God’s government will guide His children.
5. Psalm 101:1 (NKJV) “I will sing of mercy and justice; To You, O LORD, I will sing praises.”
 - a. We must show our gratitude to God with praise from our hearts.
6. Isaiah 16:6 (NKJV) “We have heard of the pride of Moab— He is very proud— Of his haughtiness and his pride and his wrath; But his lies shall not be so.”
 - a. God will abase those that resist Him in pride and arrogance.
7. Jeremiah 9:24 (NKJV) “But let him who glories glory in this, That he understands and knows Me, That I am the LORD, exercising lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness in the earth. For in these I delight,” says the LORD.”
 - a. When we delight in the Lord, He delights in us.

Lessons:

When we can’t get the perfect balance (which we can’t), is it better to err on the side of mercy instead of justice?

Micah 6:8 (NKJV) “He has shown you, O man, what is good; And what does the LORD require of you But to do justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God?”