

Ezekiel 45:21

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

In the first month, in the fourteenth day of the month, ye shall have the passover, a feast of seven days; unleavened bread shall be eaten—Passover timing: בָּרָאשׁוֹן בֵּאַרְבָּעָה עַשֶּׂר יוֹם לְחֶגֶשׁ (bārîshôn bē'arba'āh 'āsār yôm lahōdesh, 'in the first [month], on the fourteenth day of the month')—Nisan 14, exact date of original Passover (Exodus 12:6, 18).

חַג שְׁבָעָה יְמִים (hag shābu'ôt yāmîm, 'a feast of seven days') with מַסְׁסֹת (mašsôt, 'unleavened bread'). Ezekiel's vision maintains Passover observance in millennial kingdom—commemorating Egypt's exodus even after Messiah's coming. This suggests memorial function: redemption's history preserved through worship. Christians observe communion similarly—remembering Christ's Passover sacrifice (1 Corinthians 5:7, 11:26) 'until He comes.' Historical redemption shapes ongoing worship identity.

Historical Context

Passover (Exodus 12, Leviticus 23:5-8) was Israel's foundational redemption festival. Post-exilic Jews reinstated it (Ezra 6:19-22). Jesus was crucified on Passover (John 19:14), fulfilling the festival's typology—He is 'our Passover' (1 Corinthians 5:7). Ezekiel's vision includes Passover, showing that even when type meets antitype, memorial worship continues. Believers remember Christ's death 'until He comes' (1 Corinthians 11:26), maintaining redemption's memory.

Related Passages

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

Study Questions

1. Why does millennial kingdom still observe Passover after Christ fulfills it?
2. What is the relationship between memorial worship and historical redemption?
3. How does Christian communion parallel/fulfill Passover observance?

Interlinear Text

וְיַהְיָה הַלְּכָדָשׁ יְמֵי מֵשֶׁר בְּאַרְבָּעַת הַבָּשָׂר בְּרִאשׁוֹן

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מֵצָה וְתִמְמָה יְמֵי שְׁבָע וְתִבְרָגָן הַסְּכָחָה לְכָדָשׁ

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