

The First Passover

A Bible Story for Kids

Find it in the Bible: Exodus 12:1-42

Characters: Moses, Aaron, The Israelites, God

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GOD TOLD MOSES about the last plague—the worst one. Every firstborn in Egypt would die. But God would protect His people.

God gave special instructions. 'Each family needs a perfect lamb. On the special night, eat the lamb with bread and bitter herbs. But MOST important: put the lamb's blood on the doorframe—on the sides and top!'

Moses told the people. They obeyed God exactly.

That night, they ate standing up with their sandals on and bags packed, ready to leave. They ate quickly!

At midnight, something terrible happened. Every firstborn in Egypt died—from Pharaoh's son in the palace to prisoners in the dungeon. There was crying in every Egyptian home.

But in the Hebrew homes? The angel of death saw the blood on the doors and PASSED OVER. Their children were safe!

Pharaoh called for Moses in the middle of the night. 'GO!' he cried. 'Take your people and LEAVE!'

The Egyptians gave the Hebrews gold, silver, and nice clothes. 'Just go!' they said.

After 430 years as slaves, God's people were finally FREE!

God said, 'Remember this day forever. Every year, celebrate the Passover so you never forget how I saved you.'

This story points to Jesus. He is the Lamb of God. His blood saves everyone who believes in Him—not just from slavery, but from sin!