



Exodus 5:1 “And afterward Moses and Aaron went in, and told Pharaoh [king of Egypt], Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, **LET MY PEOPLE GO**, that they **may hold a feast unto me in the wilderness.**” America is known to our people as modern day Egypt because we are held captive/slaves. See, **Revelations 11:8**. We have to remember that in Egypt while in slavery our forefathers upheld a feast during the night, this feast is called Passover. The same must be done by us throughout all our generations. How do we observe this feast?

WHEN: **Leviticus 23:5** “In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's Passover.”

WHO: Only Israelites according to the flesh may attend. **Exodus 12:43** “And the LORD said unto Moses and Aaron, This is the ordinance of the passover: **There shall no stranger eat thereof.**” See, **Romans 9:3-4**. All male Israelites must be circumcised. **Exodus 12:48** “...: for no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof.” No person that is defiled by any kind of uncleanness is to keep the Passover by eating of it on that day. **Numbers 9:6** “And there were certain men, who were defiled by the dead body of a man, **that they could not keep the passover on that day:** and they came before Moses and before Aaron on that day:” They will be able to observe the Passover once again when they are cleansed of their issues/uncleanness in the second month fourteenth day at even. See, **Numbers 9:10-11**. To learn of the laws of uncleanness read the following scriptures; **Numbers 5:1-3**, **Leviticus 5:2-3**, **Numbers 19:11**, **Leviticus chapter 15**, and **Leviticus chapter 11-13**.

WHERE: In one gathering place with fellow believing Israelites. See, **1st Corinthians 5:7-11**. It must be in one place since none of the meat could be carried out. **Exodus 12:46** “In one house shall it be eaten; thou shalt not carry forth ought of the flesh abroad out of the house; neither shall ye break a bone thereof.” **Verse 47:** “All the congregation of Israel shall keep it.”

WHAT: The Passover meal consists of; **Exodus 12:8** “And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it.” The “flesh” is a lamb, male of the first year with no blemish. **Exodus 12:5** “Your **lamb** shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats:” Therefore your menu is roasted lamb (of sheep or goat), unleavened bread (bread without yeast or without fermentation to make it rise), and bitter herbs (such as watercress, mustard leaves, etc..). For drinks you will have some wine to commemorate the death of our King, those that are not able to drink wine could have grape juice. See, **Matthews 26:26-29**.

HOW: Or as Moses said; **Numbers 9:3** “In the fourteenth day of this month, at even, ye shall keep it in his appointed season: **according to all the rites of it, and according to all the ceremonies thereof, shall ye keep it.**” **Lamb preparation:** It is killed at the going down of the sun (**Deuteronomy 16:6**), in which some of the blood will be needed to strike on the door post (**Exodus 12:6-7, 21-29**). The bones of the lamb must not be broken, it will be prepared whole **roasted** in fire with the inwards/organs inside (**Exodus 12:9, 46**). It can not be boiled (sodden) at all. Nothing of it must remain therefore whatever is left over must be burned in the fire; the inwards cannot be eaten (**Exodus 12:10, Leviticus 3:12-17** and **Exodus 23:15-18**). To season the lamb salt is used (**Leviticus 2:13**). **Leavening:** All products that contain leavening ingredients are to be removed from our homes for seven days. **Exodus 12:15** “**Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel.**” Unleavened bread is to be eaten instead for seven days. If you do not know how to bake unleavened bread you could purchase Matzos at your local supermarket by the Passover or Kosher section. The ingredients that you must stay away from during these seven days are those that cause the dough/bread to rise. Such as leavening, yeast, baking powder, baking soda (sodium bicarbonate), potassium bicarbonate (potash), potassium bitartrate (cream of tartar), monocalcium phosphate, barm, bakers ammonia, pearlash, sour dough, etc.. If you intend to purchase any bread-like products and you are unfamiliar with an ingredient do not buy it. First research whether it is leavening or not. Most chemical leavens are made from phosphates, and carbonates. Beware of leaven!