

***“FROM SLAVERY TO FREEDOM”***

**Mark 14:12-21**

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**I. Why is Passover so important in the life of Jews? (vv. 12-21)**

*“on the first day of Unleavened Bread,”*

*“one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me”*

**Remember the \_\_\_\_\_ from which Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ us.**

**Exodus 12:3,6,18**

**Leviticus 23:5-6**

**Deuteronomy 16:3**

**Psalms 41:9**

**John 8:34**

**Romans 6:17-18**

*“Meals were rituals of social status in the Mediterranean world, and to share a meal indicated trust and friendship.”*

-Mark Strauss

*“Sin deceives as well as hardens. ... At first he would not repent; eventually he could not repent.”*

-Sinclair Ferguson

**II. Passover was about more than their slavery. What did God do? (vv. 12)**

*“when they sacrificed the Passover lamb”*

**Remember the Son’s \_\_\_\_\_ to save us.**

**Exodus 12:26-7; 13:9**

**1 Corinthians 7**

*“The only way for your family to escape was to put your faith in God’s sacrificial provision; namely, you had to slay a lamb and put the blood on the doors as a sign of your faith in God.”*

-Tim Keller

*“The Passover lamb rescued God’s people from slavery, and it rescued them from death by dying in their place.”*

-Tim Chester

### III. How can we reconcile God's plan & Judas' betrayal? (vv. 21)

*"For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him"*

*"Woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed!"*

**Concurrence:** \_\_\_\_\_ or more persons \_\_\_\_\_ the same event  
for different \_\_\_\_\_.

*"It would have been better for that man if he had not been born."*

**Remember God is \_\_\_\_\_ & we are \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Genesis 50:20**

**Job 1**

**Psalms 41:10**

**Acts 2:23**

*"When he calls us to obey God's Word, he summons us to follow him, not to go over uncharted ground."*  
-Sinclair Ferguson

*"Every one of us lives within the circle of a God-ordained existence, for his glory and our own joy, and we are morally accountable to respond to our limitations and possibilities, as set for us by God's decrees and providences, with reverent trust."*  
-Ray Ortlund Jr.

**BIG IDEA: Faith in Christ produces unbending commitment to God.**

#### Questions for Digging Deeper:

1. How did your slavery to sin reveal itself? Where do you still struggle to obey?
2. What words are used to understand Jesus' death? What do they mean?
3. Do you tend to focus on past slavery or present freedom?
4. How can you trust God in the midst of hard times?