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A Passover Meditation

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The Israelites' deliverance *from* judgment at Passover by the blood of spotless lambs foreshadows our deliverance *from* judgment through the blood of the Passover Lamb, Jesus the Messiah. In the judgment, He *passes over* us.

The Israelites' subsequent deliverance *out of* the enemy's control *through* the Red Sea foreshadows our deliverance *out of* the enemy's control *through* Jesus' sacrifice on our behalf and the Father's gift of our new birth in the Holy Spirit.

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Passover is a time to remember this costly deliverance! Our awareness of the depth of our sin and the enemy's prior mastery over us¹ is commensurate to the depth of our gratitude to God². Paul wrote:

Clean out the old leaven so that you may be a new lump just as you are unleavened for Messiah our Passover has been sacrificed. Therefore, let us celebrate the Feast, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.³

Although we remember our deliverance from our past blindness without Him, we need not revisit past sins. Jesus endured a horrific execution to pay for and take away our sins. "He endured the cross, despising the shame..."⁴ He took on our shame. He was rejected and disgraced in our place.⁵ We are accepted in the beloved!⁶ Father may draw us into repentance, but once we "confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."⁷

After Moses and the sons of Israel were delivered from the enemy through the Red Sea, they sang⁸:

I will sing to the LORD for He is highly exalted!	This is my GOD ⁹ , and I will praise Him,
The horse and its rider He has hurled into the sea!	My father's God ¹⁰ , and I will exalt Him.
The LORD is my strength and song,	The LORD is a warrior;
And He has become my salvation!	The LORD is His name!

The Lord God delivers us through the waters, washes us, and makes our footsteps firm. Our journey is from glory to glory, from clarity to more clarity. Only greater light awaits us as we let His Spirit live in us! "The path of the righteous is like the light of dawn that shines brighter and brighter until the full day!" (Proverbs 4:18) Happy Passover! Happy Resurrection!

¹ Romans 5:6-10

² Romans 5:1-5

³ 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

⁴ Hebrews 12:2b

⁵ Isaiah 53

⁶ Ephesians 1:6

⁷ 1 John 1:9

⁸ Exodus 15:1-3

⁹ A name of God meaning *Mighty One*

¹⁰ The name of God, *Elohim*, meaning *Creator*