

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: August 28, 2022
Exodus 12:31-13:16

1. What happened in our last Bible Study in Exodus 12:1-30?
 - a. God institutes the Passover.
 - b. God tells Israel how they would commemorate this deliverance from now on.
 - c. God is finally bring about the deliverance that he promised.

2. What happens in 12:31-32? _____

3. What do we learn in 12:33-36?
 - a. The Egyptians urged the people to hurry and leave the country...wait, isn't that what God promised would happen?
 - b. The Egyptians were afraid that more people would die if the Israelites didn't leave quickly.
 - c. The Israelites asked for articles of silver and gold and for clothing, like Moses told them.
 - d. The Egyptians gave them what they asked for and Israel plundered the Egyptians...and the Egyptians were willing.

4. What do we learn in 12:37-42?
 - a. There were about 600,000 men plus women and children and livestock who left Egypt
 - b. They used the dough without yeast to prepare food for themselves.
 - c. The Israelites were in Egypt for 430 years (see also Genesis 15:12-16).

5. What is the significance of the restrictions that were given in 12:43-50?
 - a. Wait, I thought this wasn't about nationality? Why didn't God let foreigners eat?
 - b. Foreigners could eat the Passover meal...IF they and marked their inclusion into covenant relationship with the Lord with the covenant of circumcision...another act of obedience that showed they feared the word of the Lord and were willing to obey Him and receive the promised protection that God could bring.

6. What does the Lord say to Moses in 13:1? _____

7. What does God tell Israel to do in 13:11-16?
 - a. Give over their firstborn to God.
 - b. The firstborn was saved by God in the Passover. Therefore, the firstborn belonged to God who had saved them from death. They would not be there if it weren't for God.

8. What does that look like, according to 13:12-16?
 - a. For most livestock used for food, they are to be an offering given instead to the Lord.
 - b. For animals that are not used for food, such as donkeys, they are to instead "redeem" them by sacrificing another animal, a lamb, in their place. To 'redeem' is to trade one thing for another...like a ticket for a movie or sports event...In this case, a lamb is given in exchange for the life of the other animal.
 - c. The firstborn sons were also to be redeemed, according to verse 15.
 - d. As with the other symbols, children would ask why this was done. In this case, specifically the sons would ask why. And they would know that it was God who saved them and they belong to God...but instead of them being "sacrificed," an animal has been sacrificed in their place and they are very literally "saved" again when they owe their very life to God.

9. What meaning should this process have to us? _____
How have we been "saved" or "redeemed"? _____
To whom do we owe our very life? _____
How will we respond and remember? _____