

# THE STORY OF MOSES

Aunt Hattie's Bible Stories

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## CHAPTER FOURTEEN

### THE MEANING OF THE PASSOVER

We come now to this great and tragic event called the "passover."

We have just been finding out what the word "passover" meant. For when the death angel came that night he passed over the homes where he found the blood.

God was showing Israel a truth they were not able to understand at that time. It was as though God said, "***This is a picture of a time to come when My Son, My only begotten Son, will be My Lamb slain upon the cross. His blood will be shed to save every sinner in the world who will believe on Him.***"

The Israelites were in slavery and bondage in Egypt. Egypt is a type or an illustration of the world. People in this world are in the bondage of sin. We are slaves to sin and there is no hope for us for we cannot get ourselves out of it.

God told Israel that He would pass over every house where He saw the blood. Now, since the Lord Jesus Christ died and shed His blood on the cross, He says if we will believe on Him, and, by faith, have our hearts sprinkled with His blood, then we shall be saved from eternal death.

How can we have our hearts sprinkled by faith? Simply by believing that Jesus Christ died for us, by believing that His blood covers all of our sin.

When that Philippian jailer we read about in the Acts asked Paul and Silas what he must do to be saved, Paul said, "***Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved.***"

As the little lamb died that night long ago in Egypt that the oldest son might live, so our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, died that we might live.

But there was something else being done in Goshen that night that I want to explain.

The people who lived in the blood-sprinkled houses, roasted the lamb whose blood had been placed on the doorposts.

We have been learning that the lamb pictured the Lord Jesus Christ. I wonder if the roasted lamb would represent His sufferings on the cross. When we believe on Jesus Christ we are saved, then it is necessary to feed upon Him. How can we do that? The Bible says to feed upon God's Word.

The Israelites ate the roasted lamb to give them strength. So we must grow strong in spirit by studying His Word and asking God to help us to obey it.

They also ate unleavened bread and bitter herbs, Leaven, or yeast as we call it, is not life; it causes decay. It is a picture of sin, so the yeast had to be left out so that the bread might picture Christ's purity. The bitter herbs or salad was to remind them of their terrible bondage in Egypt.

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