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The distinction God made that night is the one that He always makes. It is the distinction between those who have faith in the blood of the sacrifice He provides and those who do not, and on that distinction rests the eternal destiny of every human being. The great divide between salvation and damnation is marked in blood.

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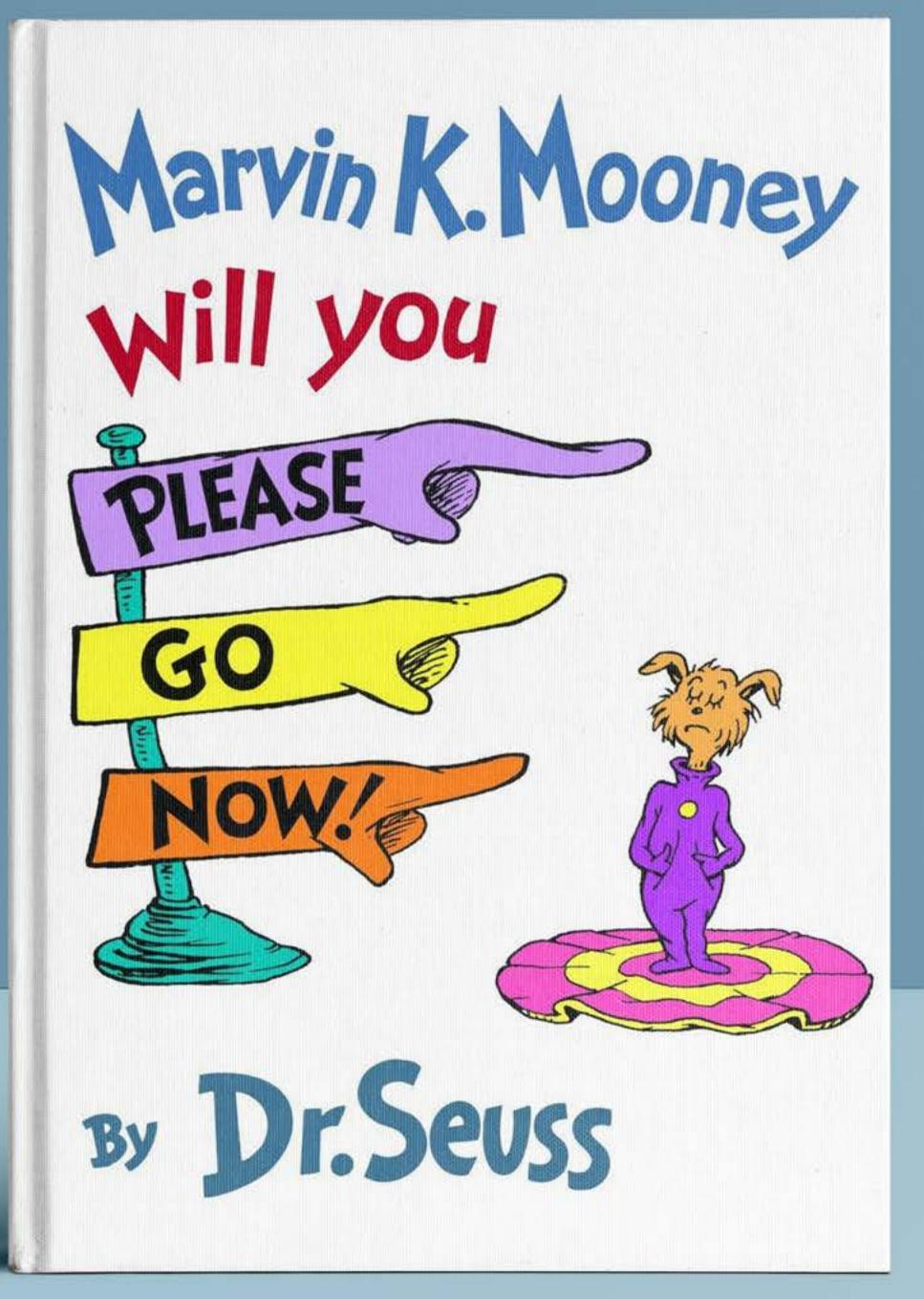






# *Take Everything and Leave:* The Egyptians Drive God's People Out (12:29–36)







#### Pharaoh gained nothing. In the end he had to accept everything on God's terms anyway. It is much better not to resist His claim on your life but simply to accept His plan and His purpose.

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# Almost everyone wants God's blessing. But God's blessing is for those who trust in the blood.

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Then the Lord said to him, "Know for certain that for four hundred years your descendants will be strangers in a country not their own and that they will be enslaved and mistreated there."

**Genesis 15:13** 



#### "But I will punish the nation they serve as slaves, and afterward they will come out with great possessions."

Genesis 15:14



"Every woman is to ask her neighbor and any woman living in her house for articles of silver and gold and for clothing, which you will put on your sons and daughters. And so you will plunder the Egyptians."

**Exodus 3:22** 



#### **Promises to Israel...fulfilled!**

1. Israel would emerge rich from Egypt (Genesis 15:14; Exodus 12:36).

2. Israel would become a great nation (Genesis 12:2; Exodus 12:37).

3. The nations would be blessed through Israel (Genesis 12:2; Exodus 12:38).







## **Essential Standards for Take-Out: God's Kosher Prescription for Passover** (12:37–51)



The Passover ordinance not only had symbolic value for a broken bone for the sins of His people (John 19:36).

## the Israelite of the Old Testament, but clearly pointed to the coming Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ, who would die without

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**Only** those who are part of the covenant community participate in the Passover.

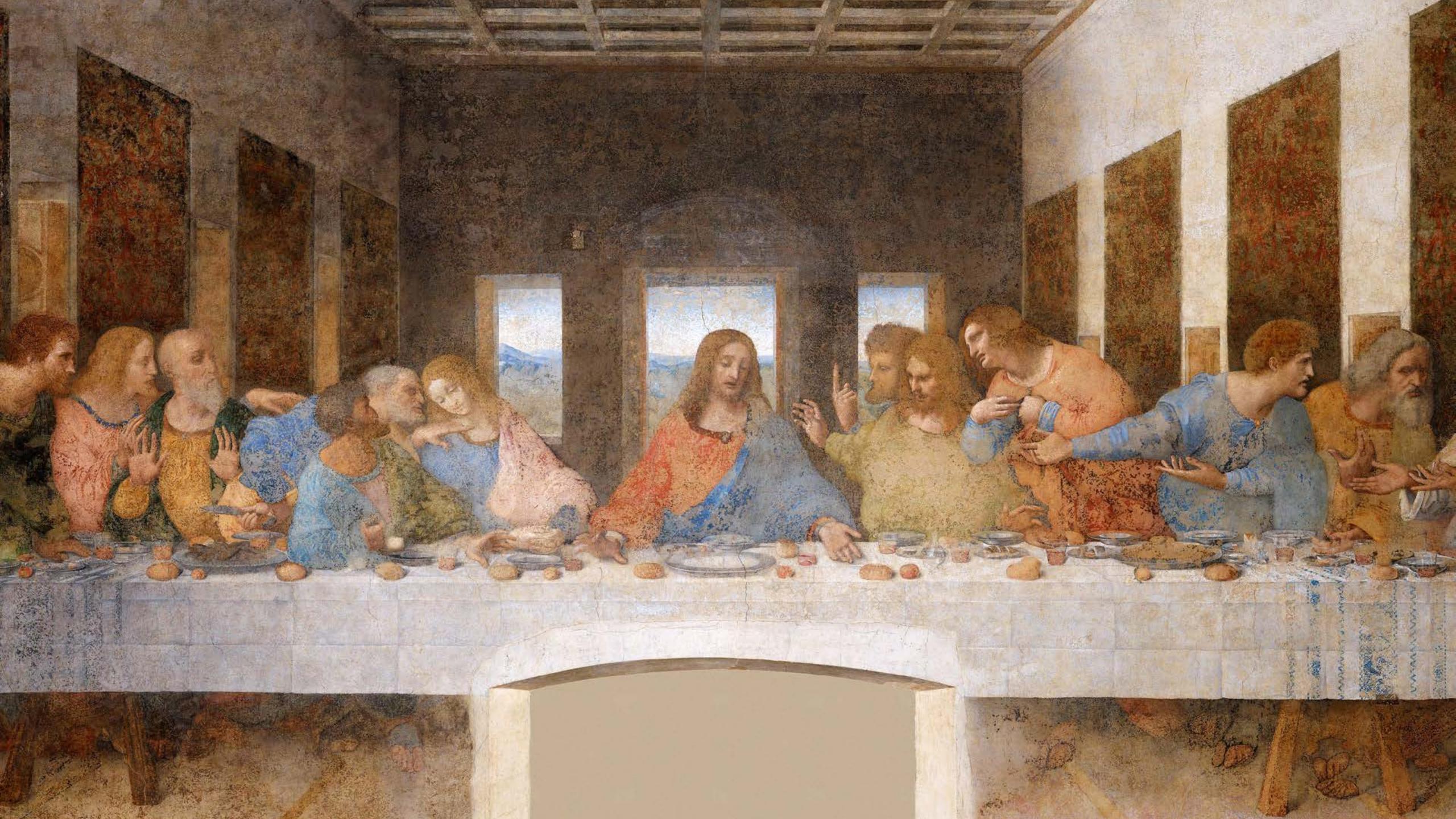
### are allowed to participate in the Passover, but all those who are part of the covenant community are expected to



The festivals do more than merely help Israel to remember a past act. They are re-enactments of the story. People are not simply observers, but participants. The Passover event became an act which future generations were part of. It became an act which continued to shape their identity as God's people.

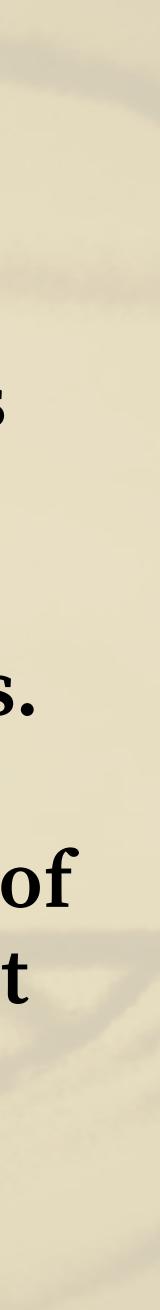
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God's people were never to forget that it was Jehovah who was responsible for their redemption. The Lord's Supper, just as the Jewish Passover, was meant to be perpetuated by His followers. For it is a memorial to the greatest event in the history of the world: the death of Christ on the cross.

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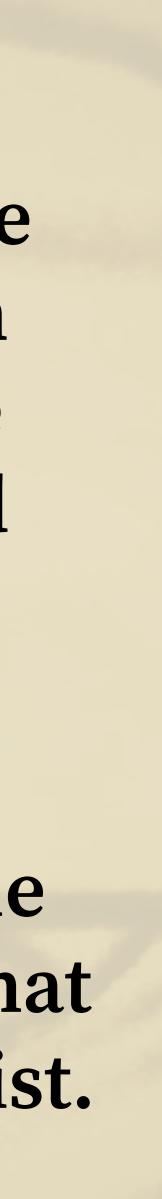


It is an oxymoron to have a believer who doesn't participate in communion, just like it is a scandal for an Israelite who doesn't participate in the Passover.



These regulations show that God has always offered salvation to everyone. No one has ever been excluded from coming to God simply on the basis of race. Even in the Old Testament, God provided a way for outsiders to come into His family and receive His saving grace. There is one requirement, however, and that is personal faith in Jesus Christ.

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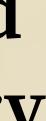


# *The Mighty Hand of the Lord:* Remembering WHO Made this Possible (13:1–16)



Whatever reluctance and anxiety Moses may have possessed prior to the exercise of God's power in the ten plagues was surely removed when he saw the hand of God at work. Moses became a very articulate statesman and a great leader who exercised unwavering faith.

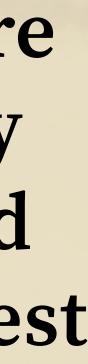






The problem was that the Israelites were also part of humanity in Adam. They were the firstborn of God, but they were also enslaved by sin and deserving of death like the rest of humanity. So if they were to be free, then they must first die to humanity in Adam. Only then could they be reborn as God's new humanity.

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This is what happens at the Passover, albeit symbolically. Their firstborn die — except that a lamb dies in their place. The lamb bears the death they deserve as their substitute.

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Passover shows the pattern of salvation, in which the blood of a perfect sacrifice serves as a substitute for our sins. Just as the Israelites were delivered from death by looking to the blood on their doorposts, so we also are saved by looking to the blood that Jesus shed on the cross. If you do not come to God through faith in Jesus Christ, God will not bless you.

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# What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

**Romans 8:31** 



#### He who did not spare His own Son, but gave Him up for us all — how will He not also, along with Him, graciously give us all things?

**Romans 8:32** 



power, and the wonders He has done.

### We will not hide them from their descendants; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, His

**Psalm 78:4** 



# So the next generation would know them, even the children yet to be born, and they in turn would tell their children.

**Psalm 78:6** 



#### Then they would put their trust in God and would not forget His deeds but would keep His commands.





# God always has the best plan forward.

