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# Exodus

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Exodus 12:13  
The **BLOOD** will be a sign for  
you on the houses ...  
**when I see the BLOOD,**  
**I will pass over you....**



Moses, 1513-15, by Michelangelo  
Church of San Pietro in Vincoli, Rome



# Exodus

## chapters

1-11 Oppression of God's People & Deliverer  
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—after 430 years in Bondage  
43-51 Recap on Passover Meal Instructions
- 13** 17-22 Exodus from **Sukkoth** to **Red Sea**—or REED Sea  
Led by God with **Pillar of Cloud by Day, Pillar of Fire by Night**

Geography in 1400 B.C. ~ west wing known today's Gulf of Suez

*Perhaps* EXTENDED up to Bitter Lakes as Northern Part of Red Sea

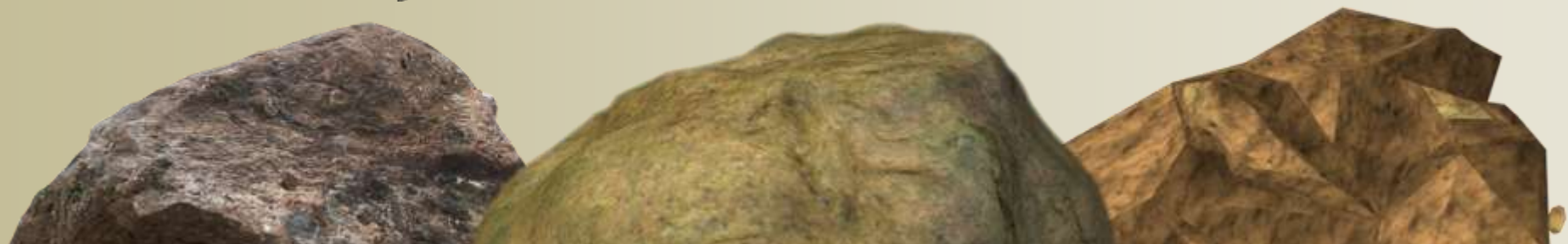
Key Verse Exodus 12:13

The **BLOOD** will be a sign  
for you on the houses ...

when I see the ***BLOOD***,

I will *pass over* you

hence, ***PASSOVER***





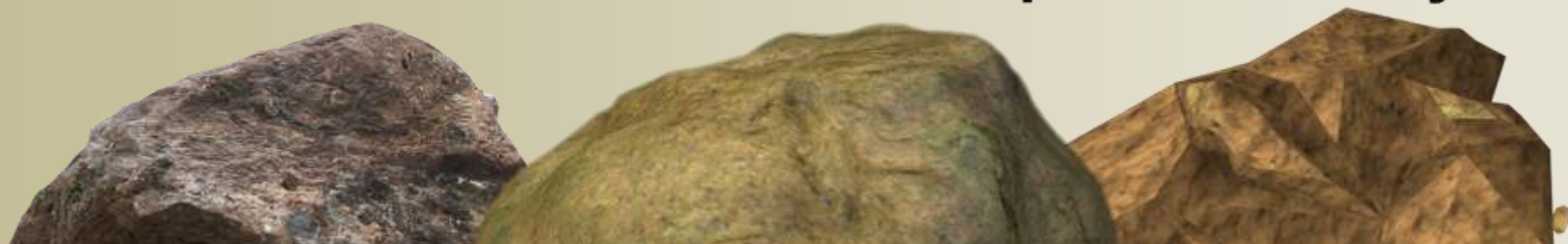
**Alternate Title**

**Hebrew Slaves'**

**Last Supper**

**Their Darkest Night**

**Came before their Glorious Independence Day**



**NOTICE:** we have Exodus 11 as a summary *foretelling*  
Then we have Exodus 12 repeating AGAIN what *happened*  
In the Bible, TWO places we have TWO renditions of SAME event



**Gen. 1** creation man 6th day

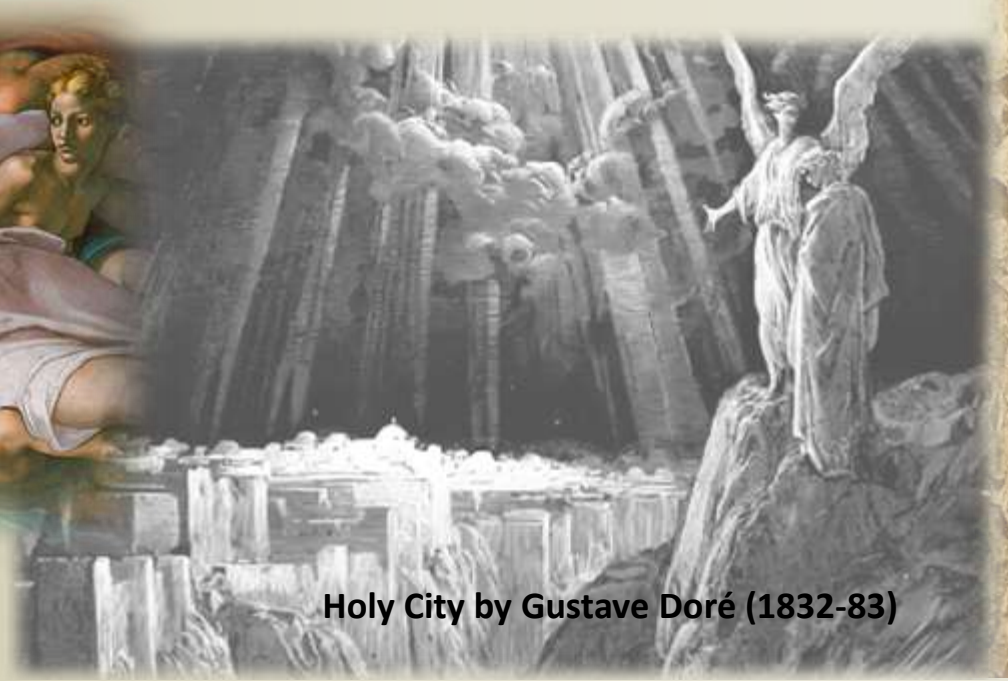
**Gen. 2** creation of man & woman

**Rev. 21:1-8**, Holy City Descends

**Rev. 21:9–22:5**, Holy City Descends  
*2nd latter versions more detailed*



Creation by Michelangelo, c. 1508-12, Sistine Chapel Ceiling



Holy City by Gustave Doré (1832-83)



Exodus 11 is a short summary *foretelling*

- ✓ God tells Moses ... Death is coming to Firstborn
- ✓ God tells Moses to tell people to ask for GOLD

Exodus 11:3, **LORD** gave the people favor  
in the sight of the Egyptians ...

Exodus 11:6-7, **Loud** wailing ... worse than ever...  
not a dog will bark at any person or animal.'

You will know the Lord distinguishes between Egypt & Israel.

Even the dogs will NOT *bark* or *growl* or *snarl* in

Depending on which  
translation you use

**Israel's Camp**

Exodus 12-13, at night after Passover meal—God leading—  
they *HURRY* to **Sukkoth** then to the **Red Sea**

**NOTICE:** We are *NOT* told how long the trip was

Because of Pharaoh's pursuit, seems to be a few days





**Gulf of Suez 12-20 Miles WIDE**  
**Gulf of Suez 190 Miles LONG**  
**Red Sea wide point**  
**190-200 miles**









According to chapter 11, Moses warns of  
death of firstborn ... Moses leaves angry

Yet **UNLIKE** all the plagues ... *catch this*

Exodus 12 - Moses is **NOT** involved in this one

Moses **MUST** stay **INSIDE** his house too

God is coming at **Midnight**

This plague hits **ALL** ... even any  
Hebrew that ignores the **BLOOD**

God does **NOT** use anyone's aid ...

Has to be spooky



Death Angel - Illustrators of the 1897 Bible Pictures and What  
They Teach Us by Charles Foster





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## 12:1-5 Prepared – Nisan—1st Month, 10th Day

Exact timing of this gets us a clear reference:

<sup>1</sup> The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt,

<sup>2</sup> “This month is to be for you the first month,  
the first month of your year.”

This was the FIRST Passover ... Nisan  
spring ... March-April ... lunar months

Are YOU prepared for God's visit?

	Hebrew Months	Length
1	<u>Nisan</u>	30
2	<u>Iyar</u>	29
3	<u>Sivan</u>	30
4	<u>Tammuz</u>	29
5	<u>Av</u>	30
6	<u>Elul</u>	29
7	<u>Tishrei</u>	30
8	<u>Marcheshvan</u> or <u>Cheshvan</u>	29/30
9	<u>Kislev</u>	30/29
10	<u>Tevet</u>	29
11	<u>Shevat</u>	30
12	<u>Adar</u>	29
make up using Leap Month > Total Days		353-55

Dark time even for Hebrews

After 9 devastating plagues ... this one was the *scariest*

No One Exempt

Personal

Specific

*DEADLY*

Child ...

Adult ...

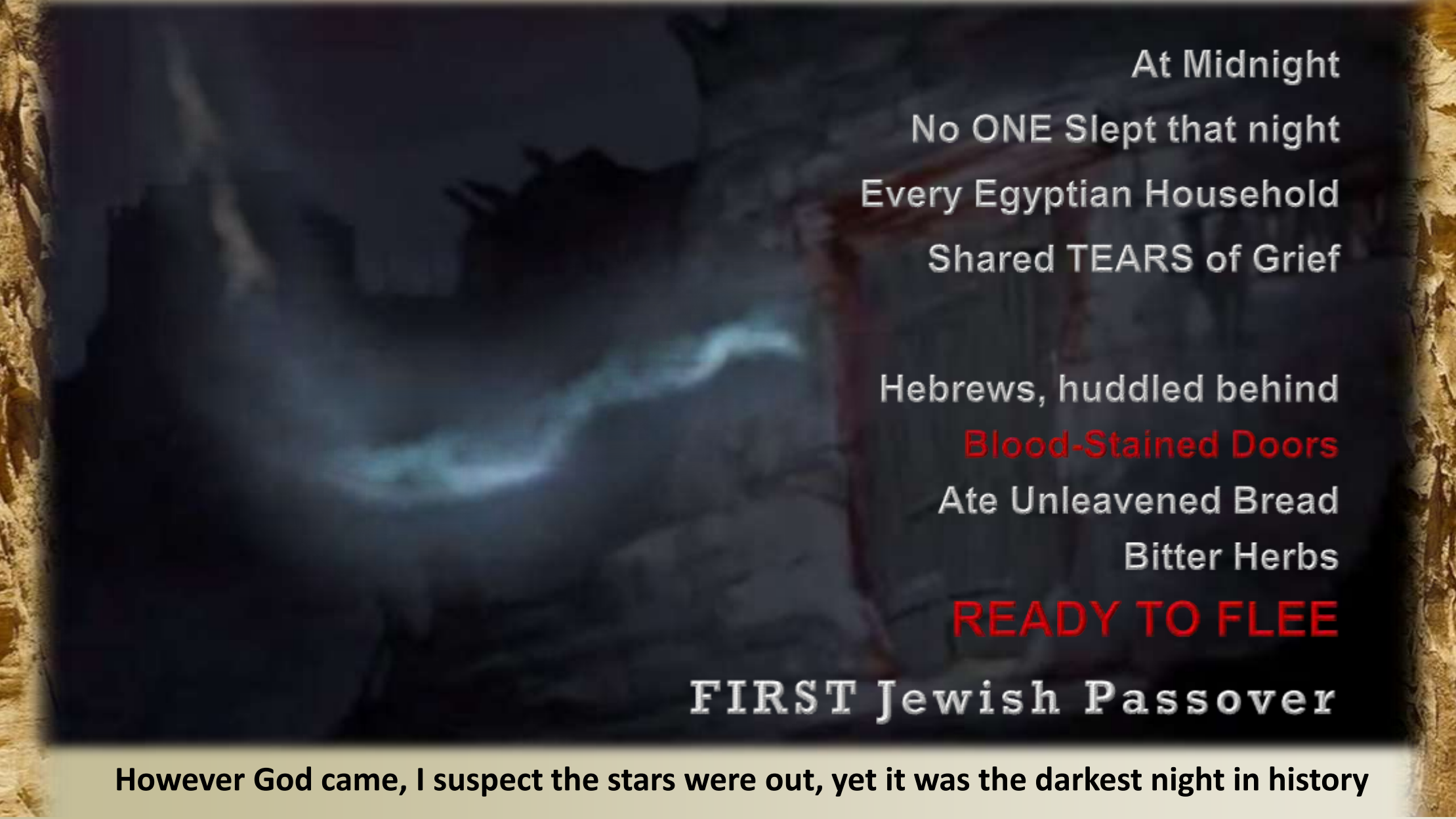
FIRSTBORN

Only **BLOOD**  
would **SAVE**

Death Creeps through Egypt in  
the classic Ten Commandments







At Midnight  
No ONE Slept that night  
Every Egyptian Household  
Shared TEARS of Grief

Hebrews, huddled behind  
**Blood-Stained Doors**  
Ate Unleavened Bread  
Bitter Herbs  
**READY TO FLEE**

**FIRST Jewish Passover**

However God came, I suspect the stars were out, yet it was the darkest night in history

Passover = Hebrew *Pesach* / *Paschal* for PASS-OVER  
8-day Feast of Unleavened Bread –



**Matt. 26:17** On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Where do You want us to prepare the Passover so You may eat it?"

Passover celebrates God's Death Angel *Passing OVER*

Exodus, c. 1447 B.C. (or c. 1200 B.C.) takes place after the 10th judgment of Death of Firstborn—Israelites head to Canaan

Death ... to Life

Exodus 12-13 &  
Leviticus 23

***TELL ALL***





They kept Passover, yet little mention in the wilderness  
Joshua 5:10-11, they kept Passover prior to Conquest  
King Josiah kept it in his 18th year (II Kings 23)  
They did not FULLY follow the Levitical Law until  
AFTER the return from Exile, c. 516 B.C.  
Hebrews huddled in their homes ... eating as TOLD  
Little realizing that in about 1,400 years LATER

**THE Lamb** would  
come to be  
sacrificed for all

In Jesus' time  
Jerusalem would  
FILL to capacity  
for Passover



This DELIVERANCE ...

Foreshadows an even greater DELIVERANCE

Only those covered by the **BLOOD** would ...

make the trip in 1447 B.C. ... in A.D. 33 ... and Today





Jerusalem, c. A.D. 33, as seen from Mt. of Olives

Passover, Paschal sacrifice kicked  
into gear in 2nd Temple Period,  
516 B.C. to A.D. 70.

Large crowds came into Jerusalem and  
the Temple Mount. Gates would close  
and the Shofar sounded.

Israelites slaughter the lamb

“*Paschal*” = Hebrew for “*pass over*”

After the Temple’s destruction in  
A.D. 70, the Paschal sacrifice ends



# **Paschal / Passover was the Last Supper of our Lord**

**Last Supper, c. 1495**

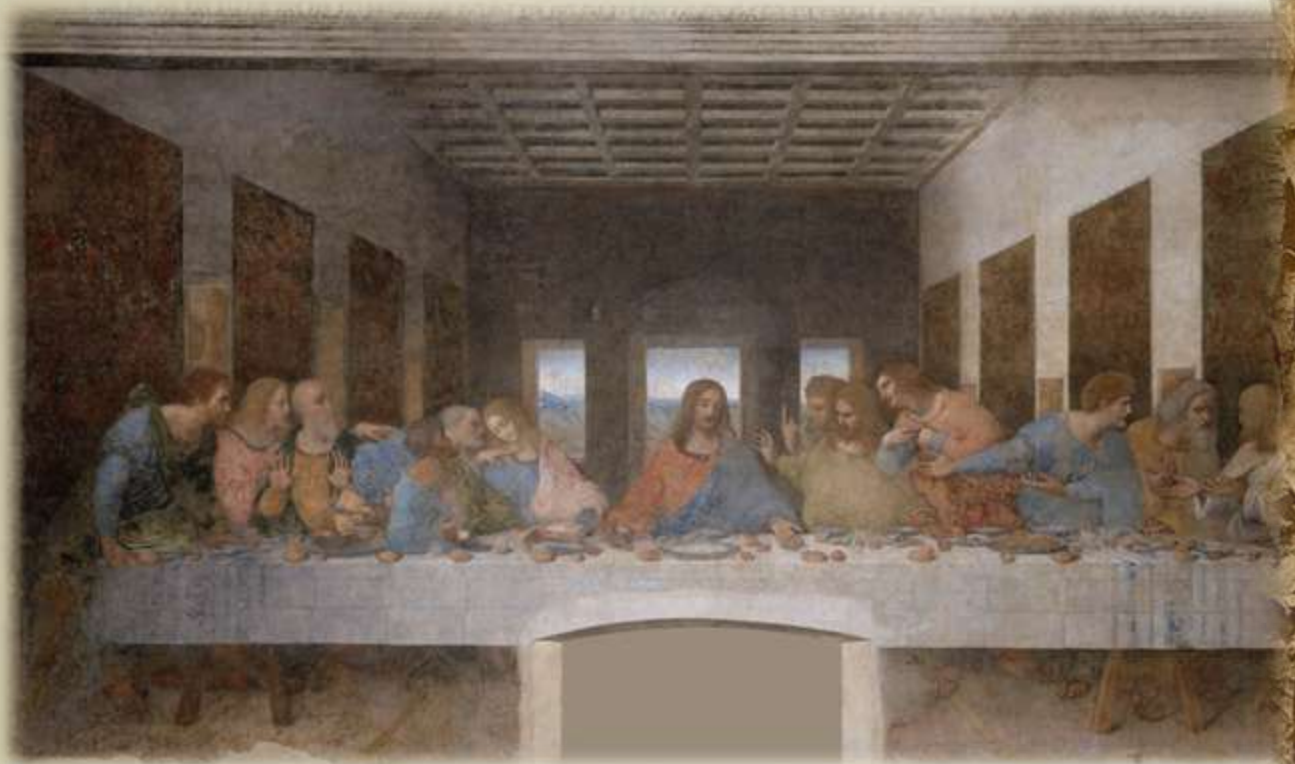
**by Leonardo Da Vinci**

**Housed in refectory of the  
Convent of Santa Maria  
delle Grazie in Milan**

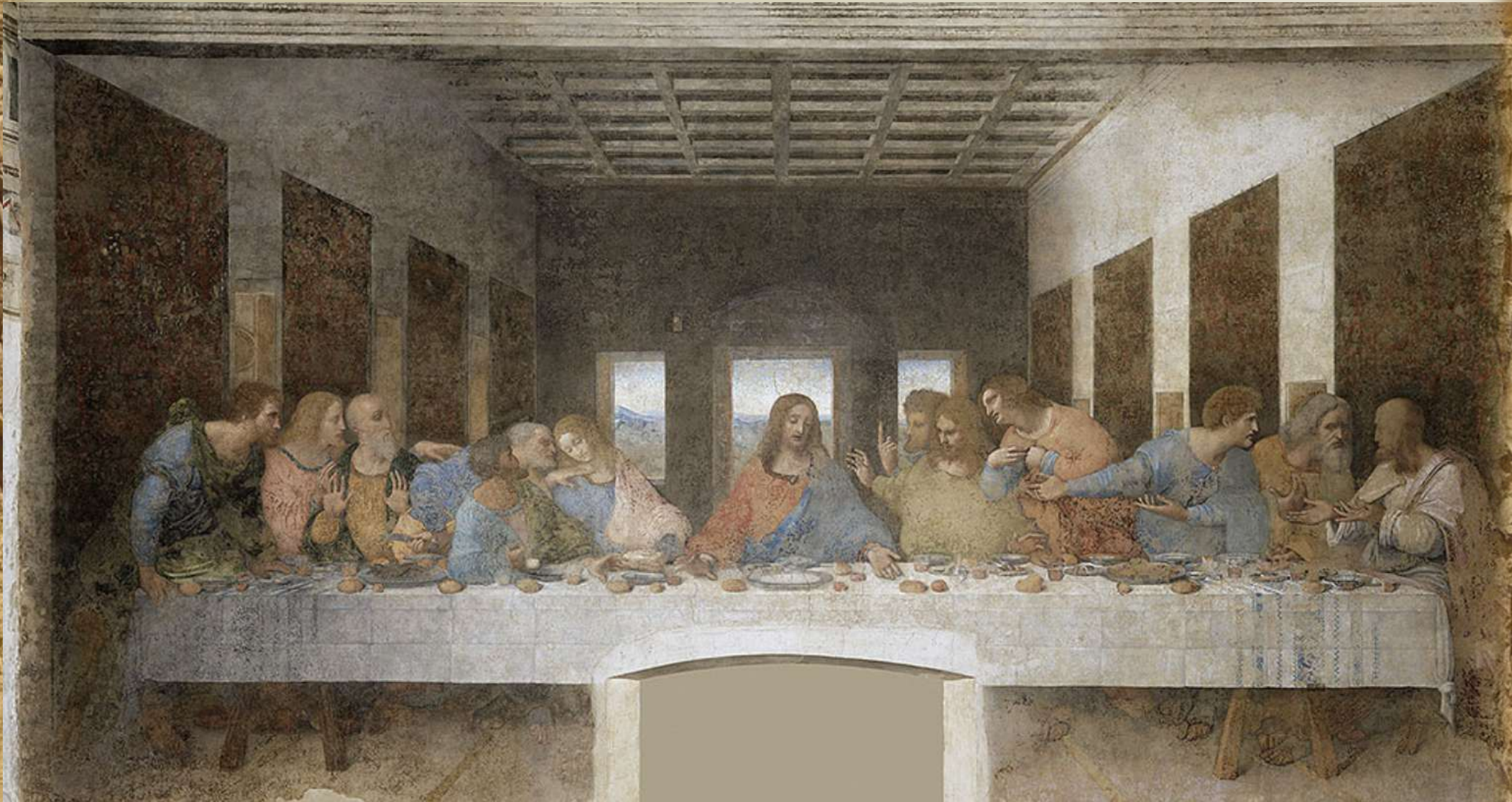
**Sadly, it began to deteriorate  
just a few years after finish**

**Mere 60 years after,  
it began to flake**

**Several restorations over  
the centuries have preserved**







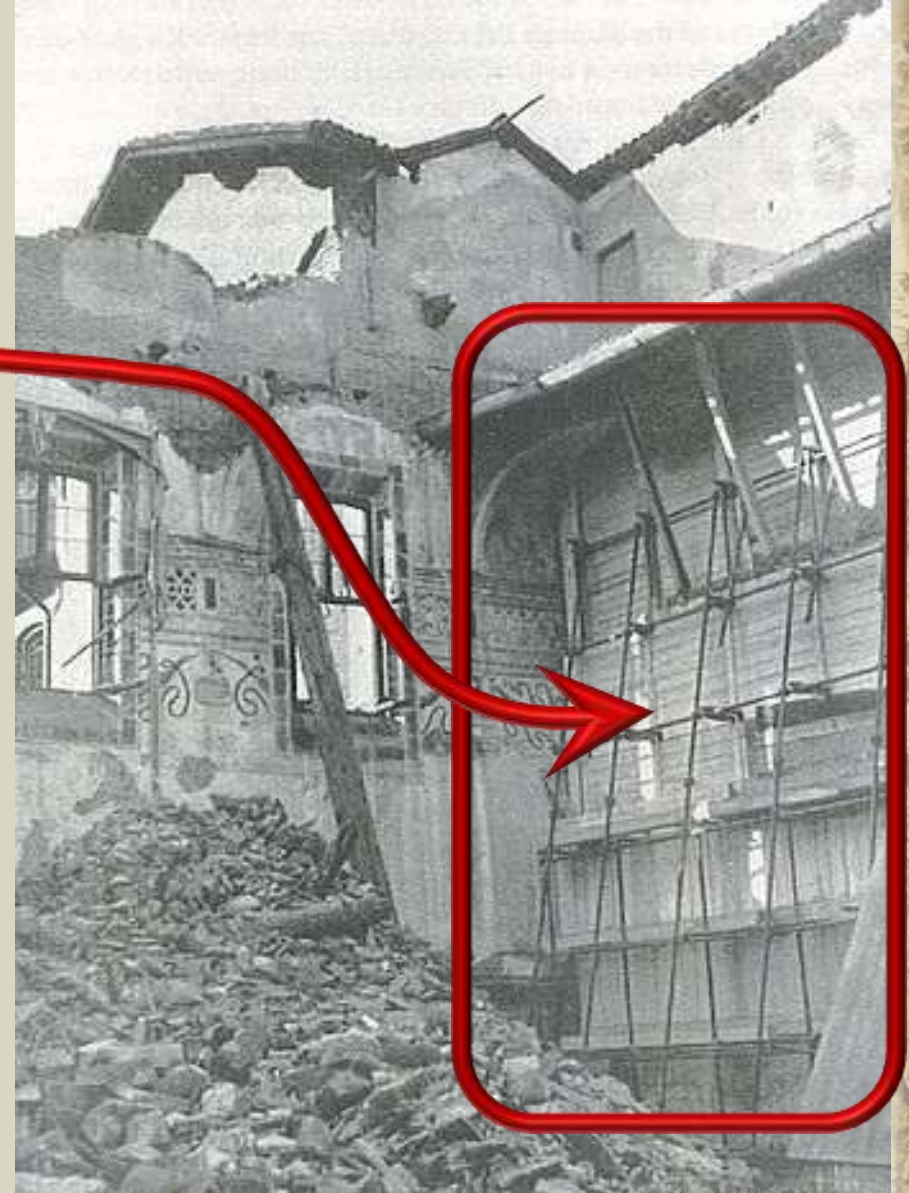
**Last Supper, c. 1495, by Leonardo Da Vinci**



**During World War II, on August 15, 1943,  
the refectory was struck by Allied bombing**

**However, protective sandbagging prevented  
the painting from being struck by bomb  
splinters**

**1951 to 1954, another restoration  
was undertaken by Mauro Pelliccioli**







Only they are NOT reclining, as all good Jews must do when eating Passover

Last Supper, ca. 1520, by Giovanni Pietro Rizzoli, called Giampietrino (active 1508-1549)  
a painting copying Leonardo Da Vinci's masterpiece

SACRIFICE ended w Temple destruction in A.D. 70—not the Passover  
Passover *Seder Meal* filled w symbolism ... *Seder* = Order/Arrangement

# Reflecting & Memorializing back to the First Passover of Exodus 12, c. 1447 B.C.

Seder Plate  
used in Jewish  
Passover Meals  
today

Often, these are  
finely decorated  
plates

Seder = Order or  
Arrangement

Seder is a Ritual  
Meal of Passover

Hard-boiled egg,  
*night God Desired  
to redeem*

Charoset, mix of  
chopped nuts, apples,  
wine, cinnamon –  
*resembles mortar &  
toil under Egyptian  
pharaohs*

1st part of Bitter Herb “Maror”,  
often Horseradish –  
*bitterness of slavery*

Shank Bone,  
forearm of lamb  
*the Sacrifice*

Parsley or boiled Potato  
or onion – *symbolize  
back-breaking work of slavery*

Romaine Lettuce –  
*2nd part of Bitter Herb “Maror”*





That night, they are to eat the meat,  
roasted in the fire; they are to eat it  
with **matzo** and **maror** (bitter herb).

— Exodus 12:8

From the evening of the fourteenth  
day of the first month until the  
evening of the twenty-first day, you  
are to eat **matzo**.

— Exodus 12:18



*Machine-made matzo*



*Hand-made matzo*

for seven days you are to eat with  
it **matzo**, the bread of affliction ...  
Thus you will **REMEMBER** the day  
you left the land of Egypt as long as  
you live.

— *Deuteronomy 16:3*

on the seventh day there is to be a  
festive assembly ...  
do not do any kind of work.

— *Deuteronomy 16:8*



*Machine-made matzo*



*Hand-made matzo*



After Passover, God told the Hebrews to **SCAT**  
... not allowing their bread to rise.

Grab and GO ... don't touch leaven

Today, Jewish families hide bread in places  
for children to search ...

to "eradicate" yeast from the house.

Family burns the found "bread" outside.

Yeast represents sin, multiplies fast, hard to  
get rid of ... reminds us of our **helpless estate**

Our inability to **clean** our own souls.

**We need a SAVIOR to do it for us.**



Matzo is  
yeastless bread

The JEWISH Passover looks at the  
***Great Deliverance from Egypt***

***REMEMBER*** to never forget the DELIVERANCE

The Lord's Last Supper ...

- ✓ Looks to OUR Deliverance
- ✓ Looks to HIS Cross as the ***Last Sacrifice***
- ✓ Looks forward to His Resurrection as  
***Our Great Deliverance***
- ✓ Lord's Supper we celebrate today,  
Looks to Christ's Coming Again –

***The Last Deliverance***



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## Nisan ... the new New Year for descendants of Israel

<sup>3</sup> Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household.

<sup>4</sup> If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat.

<sup>5</sup> The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats.

The lamb is to be MALE ... and ... without blemish



Then God says some things that convolute our minds

<sup>6</sup> Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the members of the community of Israel must slaughter them at **TWILIGHT**.

<sup>7</sup> Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs.

The **BLOOD** kept ...

**DEATH** from the home

**BLOOD** of the innocent

**SAVED** those covered





God gives them their Last Supper in Slavery

12:8 That same night they are to eat the meat  
roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs,  
and bread made without yeast.

12:9 Do not eat the meat raw or boiled in water,  
but roast it over a fire—with the head,  
legs and internal organs.

12:10 Do not leave any of it till morning;  
if some is left till morning, you must burn it.

Roast it ... cook it the QUICK way

This is the FIRST ...

**Meals on Wheels**



**Seder Meal**

*for those on the go*

**Gettin'-Out-of-Town**

**Meal**

Then God tells them HOW to Eat  
their **Meals on Wheels**

12:11 This is how you are to eat it:  
with your cloak tucked into your belt,  
your sandals on your feet  
& your staff in your hand.

Eat it in **HASTE**;  
it is the **LORD's** Passover.

Why? .... the deliverance thus far AND  
deliverances that follow are so miraculous  
that **HASTE** seems NOT to be **WASTE**!  
Eat it in haste;  
it is the **LORD's** Passover.



**Seder Meal**  
*for those on the go*  
**Gettin'-Out-of-Town**  
**Meal**



Why in haste?

Drum roll please ...

**Eat it in haste;  
it is the LORD's Passover.**



Given the thousands of Hebrew Slaves, it is conceivable that NEWS took time to get to all.

Remember, Pharaoh releases after the 2nd Plague of Frogs, but quickly changes mind

Remember, first 3 plagues hit Egyptians & Israel

Eventually, as the 4th, 5th, 6th ... not in Goshen

**Hebrews SLOWLY realize  
GOD is TRULY working**



**Seder Meal**

*for those on the go*

**Gettin'-Out-of-Town**

**Meal**



**Eat it in haste ... LORD's Passover.**

By the 7th, 8th, & 9th judgments **SOLELY** in Egypt

After Pharaoh—King of the World—releasing

CHANGING his hard-head **TWO more times**

Then **NOT** comes **MOSES** for 10th judgment ...

This Judgment will **NOT** by a staff risen high

This will **NOT** be by hail, bug, blood, or frog

THIS Judgment will be by GOD himself

Afflicting **EVERY** Firstborn

**NOT Covered by Blood**



**Seder Meal**

*for those on the go*

**Gettin'-Out-of-Town**

**Meal**



God gives the Hebrews SPECIFIC, detailed instructions

It is conceivable some did NOT follow them

Hebrews are a contrary people ... an enslaved people

One characteristic of SLAVERY is ... **it kills initiative**

There is a LOT that can be said about the oppression

Exodus 12:40-41 tell us so much!

<sup>40</sup> Now the length of time the Israelite people lived in Egypt was 430 years.

<sup>41</sup> At the end of the 430 years, to the very day, all the LORD's divisions left Egypt.

Egypt was their LIFE and culture, most oppressive

*especially* since the Pharaoh who knew not Joseph came



Now ... they are told **WHAT** to eat ... **HOW** to eat  
And they have to put **BLOOD** on the door posts ...  
God tells them what is going to happen:



<sup>12</sup> “On that same night I will pass through Egypt  
and strike down every firstborn of  
both people and animals, and  
I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt.

I am the LORD = YHWH!

<sup>13</sup> The **BLOOD** will be a sign for you on the houses  
where you are, and when I see the blood,  
I will **PASS OVER** you. No destructive plague  
will touch you when I strike Egypt.



## C. H. Spurgeon on Exodus 12:13, "The Blood"

Inimitable Spurgeon sets up his delectable message:

Though the earth should rock beneath the feet of man, yet the Christian, may stand fast, and though the heavens should be rolled up ... yet need not a Christian fear; God's people *shall* be saved: if they cannot be saved under the heavens, they shall be saved in the heavens; if there be no safety for them in the time of trouble upon this solid earth, they shall be "caught up together with the Lord in the air, and so shall they be ever with the Lord," and ever safe.



Charles H. Spurgeon, 1885  
by Alexander Melville

## C. H. Spurgeon on Exodus 12:13

**Egypt was exposed to a terrible peril.**

**Jehovah himself was about to march through the streets of all the cities of Egypt....**

**No one less than I AM, the great God....**

**Tremble, ye inhabitants of the earth, for God has come down among you, provoked, incensed, and at last awakened from his seeming sleep of patience.**

**He has girded on his terrible sword, and**

**He has come to smite you.**

**Quake for fear....**

**when God walks through the streets, sword in hand....**





## C. H. Spurgeon on Exodus 12:13

But hark! the voice of covenant mercy speaks,  
God's children are **SAFE....**

so are they **SAFE** from the sword of justice—always  
and ever **SAFE**; for there was not a hair of the head  
of an Israelite that was so much as touched....

While he did rend his enemies like a lion,  
yet did he protect his children, every one of them....

In the day when God in his fierce anger shall come forth from his  
dwelling place, to affright the earth with terrors and  
to condemn the wicked, **WE SHALL BE SECURE,**  
if covered ... and sprinkled with his blood,

**we are found in him.**



Rest of Exodus 12 ... more on the Passover  
At midnight, YHWH struck down the firstborn  
Exodus 12:30, during the night ... *wailing* ...

not a house without someone dead

12:31, Pharaoh calls Moses and Aaron

*"Up! Leave my people, you and the Israelites!  
Go, worship the LORD as you have requested.*

Israelites left with gold & silver ... from Ramses to Sukkoth  
*about 30 miles*

12:37 says **600,000 men**, besides women & children  
and many others went with them ...





30 miles ...

Exodus 12:37

says **600,000 men**

besides women

& children

many others w them

Some say 1-2 million!

12:38 says **“also LARGE**

**droves of livestock,**  
**both flocks and herds.”**

Large herds for a million!

YHWH reinforced the  
Passover to be observed  
for generations ...





Why? ... Why leave in haste?

They had their Last Supper as Slaves

Pharaoh, who changed  
his mind MANY times

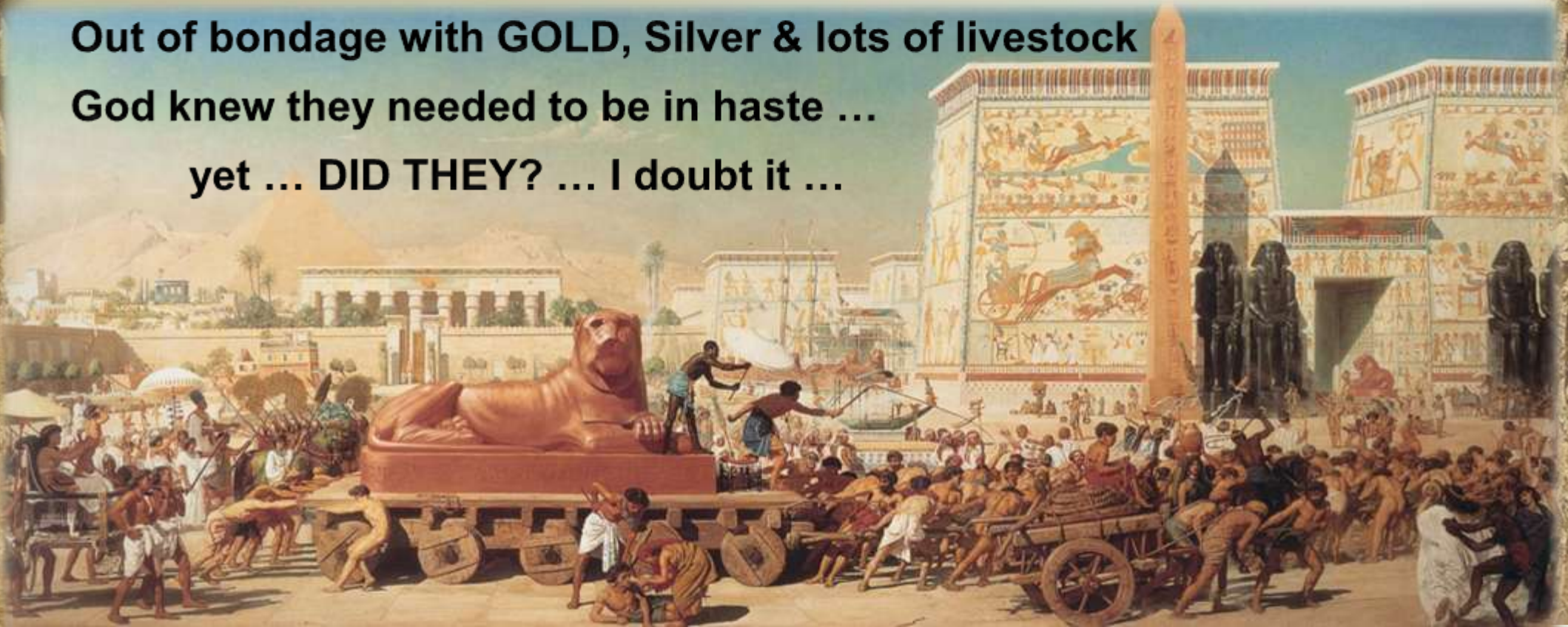
Pharaoh let, allowed,  
*permitted* the

Israelites go ...





Why Haste? *GOD KNEW* Pharaoh would change *AGAIN*—*that's why.*  
To the Israelites ... they were **FREE**—**FREE** at **LAST**  
Free like they had **NEVER** dreamed before  
Moses was their savior ... out of bondage  
Out of bondage with **GOLD**, Silver & lots of livestock  
God knew they needed to be in haste ...  
yet ... **DID THEY?** ... I doubt it ...





After 430 years ... **Independence Day** ...

After their DARKEST Night ... covered by **BLOOD**

They LEAVE with the  
riches of Egypt shoved  
into their arms ...

This was their most

**Glorious Day**

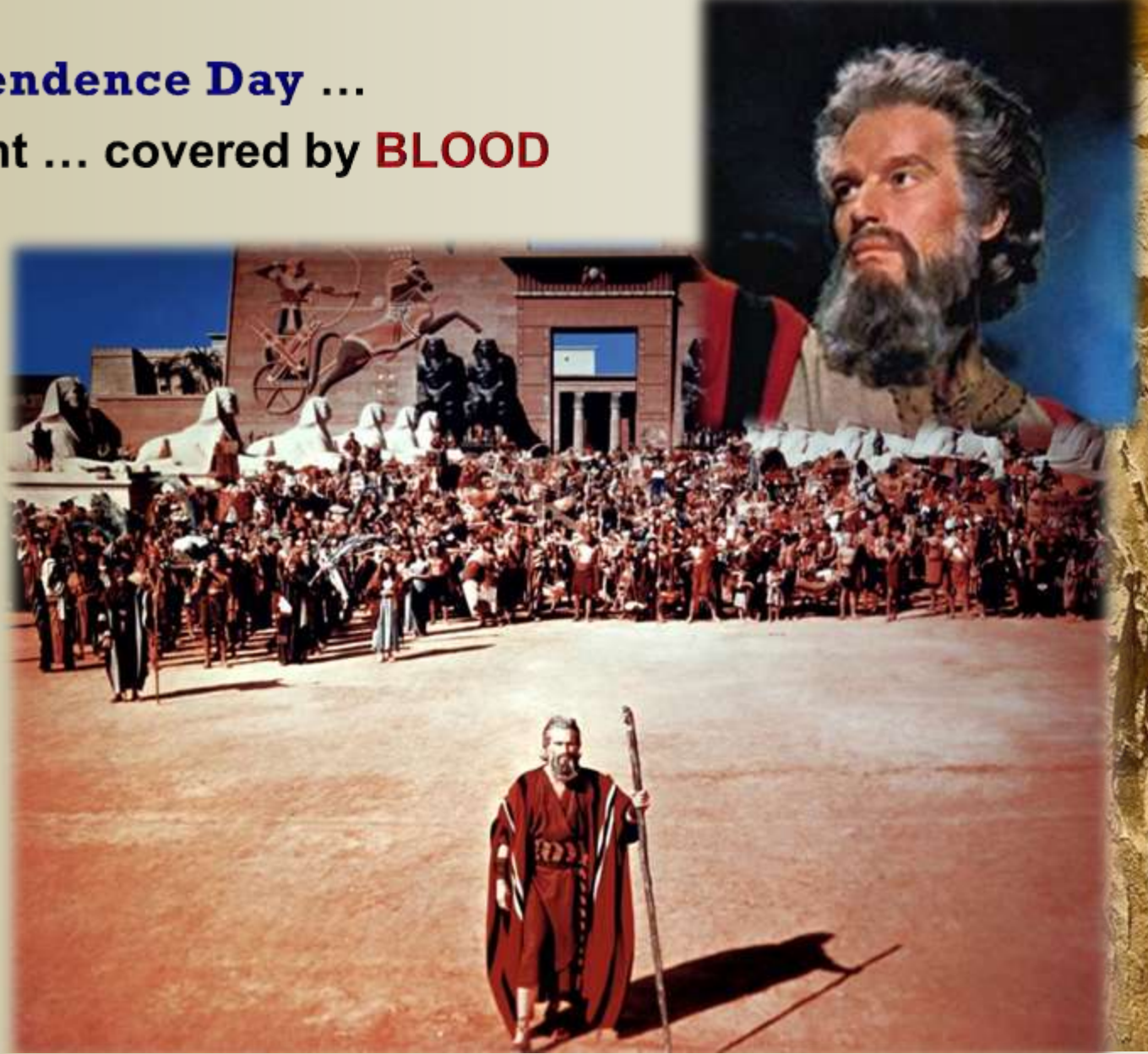
And this man leading

This God-guided Man

**MOSES**

Their Hero, Deliverer

**Their Savior**





After their Darkest Night ... after their Last Supper  
On their First Day of Freedom ... richly endowed

*One Man—Deliverer & Savior—MOSES*

I think this song captures that moment ... *partially*

Israelites ... following **MOSES** from Egypt ...

Onward, following **MOSES** to the Promised Land

I think this song captures a *portion* of that magnificent moment ...

“*Wind Beneath My Wings*” was written by Jeff Silbar & Larry Henley

First recorded by Roger Whittaker in 1982,

then by Sheena Easton and Lee Greenwood

*Made several charts:*

Colleen Hewett, 1982

Lou Rawls, 1983

Gladys Knight & The Pips, 1983

Gary Morris, 1983



Wind Beneath My Wings hit the ceiling in 1988  
highest-charting version by Bette Midler

- For the soundtrack to the film [Beaches](#),  
story of two friends from different backgrounds
- whose friendship spans more than 35 years  
through childhood, love, and tragedy



Released as a single in early 1989, No. 1 on *Billboard* Hot 100

1990 it Won Grammy Awards for both

Record of the Year ... and ... Song of the Year

1990 it went Platinum by selling a million copies

So then, for MOST of those LOOKING to **MOSES**

It must have been cold there in my shadow,  
to never have sunlight on your face....



1. WIND BENEATH MY WINGS (4.52)
2. ONE MORE ROUND (2.01)
3. FROM A DISTANCE (4.37)
4. THE ROSE (3.52)

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Did you ever know that you're my **HERO**,  
and everything I would like to be?  
I can fly higher than an eagle ...  
It might have appeared to go unnoticed,  
but I've got it all here in my heart.  
I want you to know I know the truth ...  
I—**Israel**—would be nothing without you.

Did you ever know that you're my **HERO**?  
You're everything I wish I could be....

I could fly higher than an eagle,  
'cause you are the wind beneath my wings.



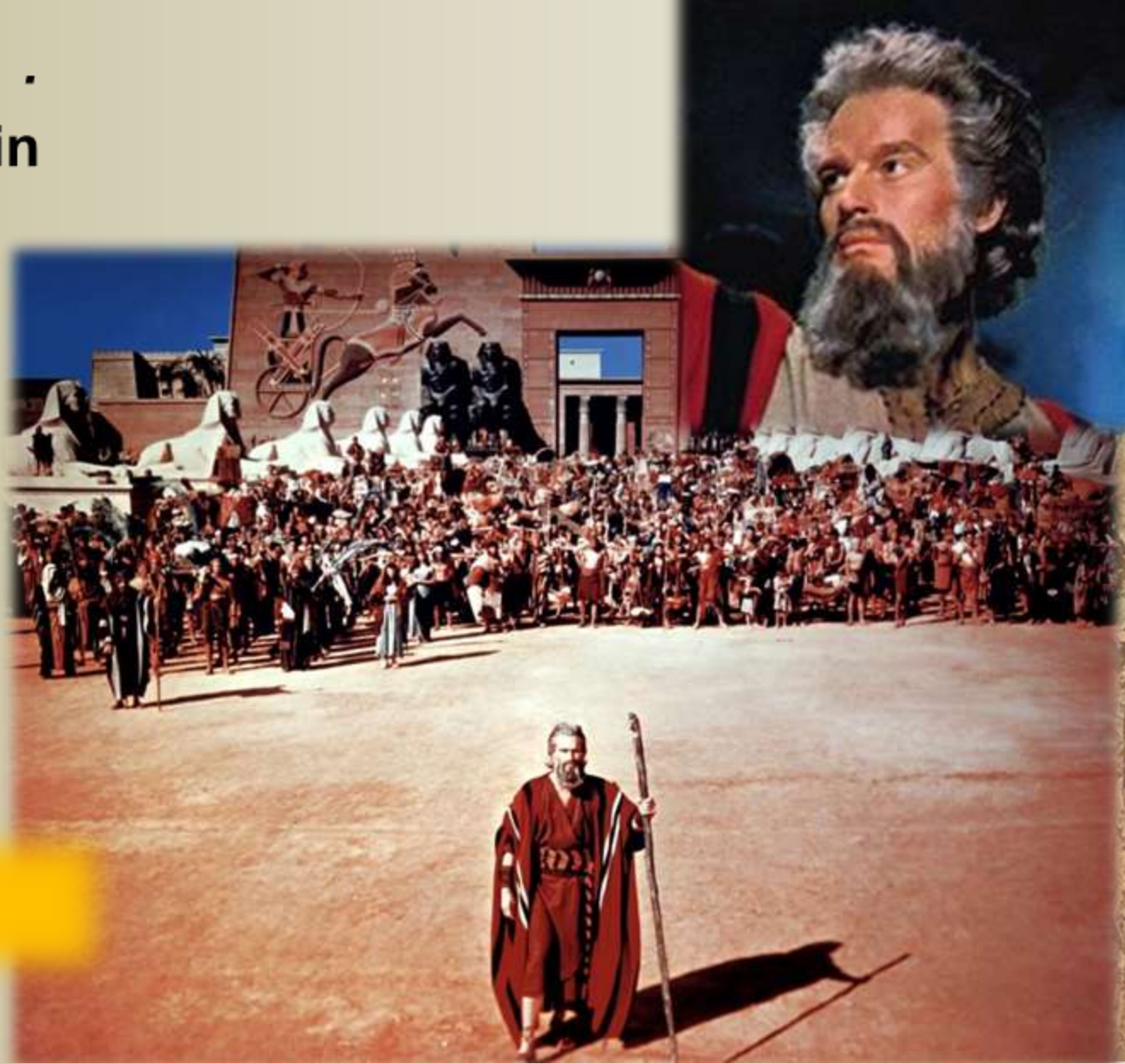
*After 430 years . . .*  
**Last FOUR Centuries in**  
**Bitter Slavery**

**After their**  
**Last Supper**

**After their**  
**Darkest Night**

**On their**  
**Happiest Day**

**On their most blessed**  
**Independence Day**





Guided by their Hero

**MOSES**

Wind Beneath Their Wings

in haste they  
Fly Away to their

**Promised Land**

Forerunner to OUR  
Deliverance in Christ

and to our  
**Promised Land**

**Heaven**

