

Israel— Exodus from the Past

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Hebrews 10:10 *We have been sanctified through the*
Psalm 95:8 *Harden not your heart, as in the*
Hebrews 3:12 *Take heed, brethren, lest there be in*
1 Corinthians 3:16 *We are temple of God and*
Exodus 40:34 *The cloud covered the tabernacle of*

- 1 We assemble today to pray, partake, and to ask God to empower us to exit the past and start anew in trusting and serving Him.
- 2 Our desire is to make an Exodus from the sins, the mistakes, and the wrong attitudes of the past.
- 3 The author AV Exodus 24:4 “*Moses wrote all the words of the LORD*” around 1450 B.C.
- 4 The primary characters are Moses, Miriam, Aaron, Joshua, Pharaoh, and his daughter. The Book is about Israel’s *freedom* from the past.
- 5 Exodus reminds us that we can *also* be set free from sins, wrong attitudes, and unscriptural desires of the past—NKJV John 8:32 “*You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.*”

6 Jesus adds 34 “*Whoever commits sin is a slave of sin.*” We can make an Exodus from the sins that had enslaved us.

7 There *can* be and *must* be an *exodus* from wrong desires and attitudes of the past and entering a new life of trust on God—asking Him to help us move forward in the Christian life—never *looking* back and never *going* back to previous attitudes.

8 Exodus was written about 400 years after Joseph was in Goshen. When Moses was born, God protects him, and he is adopted by Pharaoh’s daughter.

9 AV Acts 7:22 “*Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words and in deeds.*”

10 God later calls Moses from a burning bush—that he is to lead the Israelites away from Egypt. Moses obeys and with his brother Aaron, confronts Pharaoh to release God’s people, but Pharaoh refuses to allow them to leave Egypt.

11 Exodus shows us that God is fulfilling His promises to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

12 Israel was enslaved in a foreign land, but God delivers them by making a passage-way through the sea. God then establishes *Israel* as a *nation* under His covenant with Moses on Mount Sinai.

13 The ten plagues, the Passover at midnight, the parting of the Red Sea, God’s presence at Mount Sinai, the Ten Commandments, and the building of the tabernacle are all events in Exodus.

14 The theme of the Book is *redemption*—God delivering His people by His power.

15 After being free from Egypt, God gives them the Law—instructions on how to

consecrate our life to God in faith and trust in Him. Israel used sacrifices to atone for sins and to worship God.

16 God wants to live *with* us, be *in* us, and to witness *through* us by our life, our attitudes, and our ways of treating others.

17 God is still with us *today* as He was with them *that day* NKJV Exodus 40:34 “*Then the cloud covered the tabernacle of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle.*”

18 As the Israelites *exit* from Egypt—the *old life* of sin and worldly ways are all in the past.

19 As with *them*, so with *us*—exiting from past ways, wrong attitudes, unscriptural desires to our new ways that give evidence of who we trust and who we follow.

20 We made an *exodus* from that past life and crossed over to a *new life* of faith in Jesus. We now desire *right* attitudes toward people; *scriptural* desires in all things, and *godly* ways of forgiving and loving others.

21 Exodus reminds us of God’s redemption plan through *faith* and *trust* on the Blood of Jesus.

22 Under the old Covenant, people sacrificed lambs to free them from sins, but today our sins are *atoned for* and *paid for* by our faith in the Blood of Christ.

23 The old plan only *covered* sins—NKJV Hebrews 10:4 “*For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats could take away sins.*”

24 The Lamb of God made the sacrifice on the cross for us—taking *away* our sins as we exit from them. NKJV Hebrews 10:10 “*We have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.*”

25 God appears to Moses and tells him to remove his sandals—he is standing on holy ground.

26 Moses does not think the people will listen to him—AV **Exodus 3:11** “*Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?*”

27 Moses replies that the Israelites will ask who sent him. NIV **Exodus 3:14** God says to Moses, “*I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: ‘I AM has sent me to you.’*”

28 Moses lacked confidence to do what God wanted him to do—which is easy to relate to. We often do not do what we *should* do, because we lack confidence it will turn out right. But if it is God’s will to do it, then we should proceed in *His* strength and ability.

29 Moses also wasn’t confident in his speaking ability, NIV **Exodus 4:11** “*The LORD said to him, ‘Who gave man his mouth? Who makes him deaf or mute? Who gives him sight or makes him blind? Is it not I, the LORD?’*”

30 Following ten plagues, the Pharaoh allows Israel to exit Egypt—leaving the old life.

31 Pharaoh had previously “*hardened his heart*” and would not allow the people to leave, bringing many hardships on himself and on the people.

32 AV **Psalms 95:8** “*Harden not your heart, as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness.*”

33 God told Moses He would put a difference between people who believe and trusted Him; and those who do *not* believe and do *not* trust Him.

34 NIV **Exodus 8:23** “*I will make a distinction between my people and your people.*”

35 We are never to be *stubborn* but *willing* to believe and trust God. AV **Hebrews 3:12** “*Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.*”

36 **13** *But exhort one another daily, while it is called To day; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.*”

37 God’s promise of protection is fulfilled when we obey His Word and place ourselves under the Blood.

38 NIV **Exodus 12:12** “*On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn—both men and animals—and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD.*”

39 This first Passover will always be connected to *freedom* from past sins and *deliverance* from worldly ways. Putting the shed Blood of Jesus over our doors for protection is for *us* today as it was for *them* in Egypt.

40 Believers in the first century sacrificed lambs about 3:00 PM to symbolize the time Jesus gave His life on the cross.

41 AV **Luke 23:44** “*It was about the sixth hour, and there was a darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour.*”

42 The apostle spoke of this freedom from past sins. NKJV **1 Corinthians 3:16**—We are “*the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in us.*”

43 He added **5:7** NIV “*Get rid of the old yeast that you may be a new batch without yeast—as you really are. For **Christ**, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed for us.*”

44 We are all responsible for the thoughts we *entertain*; the words we *use*; and the attitudes we *keep*.

45 We must be *free* from resentment of the past because it will eventually destroy us. Satan’s plan is to *distract, deceive, and destroy*.

46 The *old yeast* is the *old life* of rebellion and resentment; The *new covenant* is the *new life* of obedience and forgiveness—it includes trusting on God to *free us* from the past through our faith in His Son.

47 We are totally responsible to get rid of malice or meanness by the power of His Spirit within us.

48 Passover is a reminder of the *Exodus* we make from the wrong ways and unscriptural attitudes of the past. It is celebrated every month because the deliverance they received *then*, and God’s promise to deliver us *today*, has never changed. **Exodus 12:13** “*When I see the blood, I will pass over you.*”

49 That is why we assemble here today—NKJV **Exodus 12:14** “*You shall keep it as a feast by an everlasting ordinance*”—

50 So, we celebrate Communion because the *love, mercy, and power* of God shown to **Israel then**—is the same *love, mercy and power* God will show to **us today!**



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