**Eastside *Life* Church – March 20, 2016**

**Something Old Something New – Part 1 (Pre-Easter)**

**Intro:**

We better understand the Bible according to 2 Timothy 2:15 / 3:16)

1. Know to whom the passage was written & why (Context)

2. Filter everything through the completed work of Jesus at the cross.

**The Passover in the Old & New Testaments**

* Jesus fulfilled the OT when His life, death and resurrection.
* He celebrated the ‘last supper’ or ‘Passover’ with His disciples.
* The first Passover meal happened under Moses as a ‘type’.

**The First Passover Meal: Exodus 12:1-14**

* Moses led God’s people out of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Egyptian slavery.
* Specific meal instructions were given to eat the Passover.
* ‘Deliverer God’ always takes us to a better place in life.

**Romans 5:17**

*‘those who receive* ***abundance of grace*** *& of the* ***gift of righteousness*** *will reign in life’*

* It wasn’t their goodness of character that ‘bought’ them deliverance, nor is it ours!

**The Elements of the Passover Meal**:

* Young male and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ lamb for the whole household

(Jesus our innocent Passover lamb for the whole family).

* Kill it at twilight and put some blood on the lintels & doorposts

(Jesus died at twilight – 3 pm, and His blood saves us).

* Roast it in fire & eat it with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_bread and bitter herbs

(The fire: intense suffering & unjust persecution of Jesus)

(The unleavened bread: His sinless life)

* Eat it all and be ready to leave.

(Jesus wants us to humbly ‘take it all’ and live our lives with purpose). **Psalm 103:2-3**

* The blood will be a sign…nothing else suffices.

(Jesus blood is vital to salvation)

**Leviticus 17:11 / Hebrews 9:22**

**How deep did God go to take us up how high?**

**Ephesians 2:4-6**

*4But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, 5even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), 6and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus*

* Don’t \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ what God has done for us through Christ.
* Tradition/religiosity robs Him of His glory & us of our freedom.

Baseline: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ How much above

 How much below

* Imagine the OT Jews saying to Moses: why all this blood, suffering…we prefer it here Egypt … in fact, later on they did complain so much on their journey to the Promised Land that they wanted to go back.
* Q? How free do you really want to be? Better still, how free does God want you?
* The truth of Jesus-our Passover Lamb that we know, accept and apply sets us truly free.

**Notes**

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