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The gospel in the story:

Learning At Home

Read Exodus 12, Consider how the Passover remains central to Judaism, but is profoundly more central to Christianity, as Jesus is the final, perfect sacrifice. It is a fact we celebrate weekly at Radiant as we participate in communion.

In this week's lesson, we see God's judgement, and grace at work. The Egyptians are judged and found guilty of sinning against God, and the Israelites are passed over because God provides a way of salvation for His chosen nation – the sustitutionary blood of the lamb. In Exodus, this story is good news for an entire nation, and yet it is a foreshadowing of much bigger good news for humanity through the blood of the Lamb, Jesus.

Application

Bible Study:

Head: What did we learn?

Q: Why does God send the final "plague" which is the death of the firstborn. A: To bring judgement on the nation of Egypt and their Gods

Q: How does God protect the Israelites from the final plague? A: He instructs the Israelites to put the blood of a sacrificial lamb on the doorframes of their homes.

Q: What is Pharaoh's response to the final plague?

- A: He orders that the nation of Israel leave Egypt.
- Q: How many people left?
- Q: What is the festival that God established

Q: How long did the Israelites live in Egypt? A: 430 years.

Q: How were the Israelites to eat the Passover meal? A: In haste, to accentuate the fact that they would be leaving Egypt in haste also illustrated by the unleavened breat.

Heart : Memory verse

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Hands: How does this affect the way I live?

Those who follow Christ, accept God's leadership, and orient their lives around Him.

Home: How does this affect my household?

Christian households understand as a unit, that God is the head. And when that happens, God's values and His ways are the basis for making family decisions.

Heaven; How does this help us share our faith?

Just like the Israelites who were protected by God's hand, we have received our salivation through an act of Grace, and God has demonstrated that He is the only one worthy of being in charge. (Egypt's king and their many gods were of no help). As a Church, we desire to set our hearts on learning to love Him more and more each day, when our friends, and neigbhorbs will see that we serve God not out of a sense of duty to earn our salvaltion, but out of a sense of profound thanks for giving us salvation through Jesus. In this way, we have an opportunity to be witnesses to God's grace.