

Study Guide on Exodus 12:1-14

New International Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

Exodus 12:1-14

(Exodus 12:1) The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt,

(Exodus 12:2) “This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year.

(Exodus 12:3) 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.

(Exodus 12:4) 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.

(Exodus 12:5) The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats.

(Exodus 12:6) 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.

(Exodus 12:7) 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.

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

(Exodus 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.

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

(Exodus 12:11) This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the LORD's Passover.

(Exodus 12:12) "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.

(Exodus 12:13) 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.

(Exodus 12:14) "This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD—a lasting ordinance."

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?