

Study Guide on Exodus 12:1-14

New Revised Standard 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 the land of Egypt:

(Exodus 12:2) This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you.

(Exodus 12:3) Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household.

(Exodus 12:4) If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it.

(Exodus 12:5) Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats.

(Exodus 12:6) You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight.

(Exodus 12:7) They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it.

(Exodus 12:8) They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs.

(Exodus 12:9) Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs.

(Exodus 12:10) You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.

(Exodus 12:11) This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD.

(Exodus 12:12) For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD.

(Exodus 12:13) The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

(Exodus 12:14) This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual 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?