

A PERFECT SAVIOR  
Exodus 12:1-32  
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But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. He Himself is our *peace* ...having abolished in His flesh ...the law of commandments..... Ephesians 2:13-15

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the *riches of God's grace*. Ephesians 1:7

And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled in the body of His flesh through death, to present you *holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight*. Colossians 1:21-22

...He has *made us alive* together with Him, having *forgiven you all trespasses*, having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. Colossians 2:13-15

"With one sacrifice He *made perfect* forever those who are *being made holy*." Hebrews 10:14

"He is risen, just as He said." Matthew 28:6 (NASB-U)

## I. The Qualifications

1. The Lamb must be faultless Verse 5

2. The Lamb must be slain Verse 6

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Leviticus 22:21

3. The Lamb must be digested

Verses 8-11

*.... all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.* Romans 3:23

*the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.* Romans 6:23 (NASB)

*If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.* Romans 10:9 (NASB)

## **II. The Benefits**

1. Obedience

Verses 7-22

2. Faith Sharing

Verses 25-27

3. Joy

Verse 14

## **Questions for this week:**

I. For Starters:

1. What are your memories of celebrating "Easter" or "Resurrection" Sunday when you were growing up?
2. If someone asked you this week what is the difference between Christianity and the world religions, what would be your response?

3. Why might some people say that Christianity is a bloody and archaic faith? What would be your response?

## II. Overview of Scripture

1. Read Exodus 12:1-32. What strikes you as something the Lord really wants us to know?
2. Read Matthew 27:57-20 and discuss the resurrection account with someone.
3. Who came to the death site, when and why? Vs 57
4. What is another reason he went to the death site and what does this say about his faith? Vs 58-60
5. What is the significance of 60 and the stone?
6. Who watched the burial and why is it important for Matthew to publicly list their names? Vs 61
7. Who went to Pilate after Jesus' death, why and what did they label Jesus? Vs 62-64
8. What is important about verses 65-66 to us today?

## III. Growing deeper

1. Review Sunday's message with someone.
2. Read John 8:34-45. Why do people NOT believe in the resurrection of Jesus no matter how much "proof" we give them? What does this say about our role in evangelism and God's role in evangelism?
3. Read Genesis 9:6 and discuss how important a man's blood really is. Why is this?
4. In most private offerings the person killed his own sacrifice. Public sacrifices were slain by the priests. The animal was always killed in a violent way, usually by splitting the throat with a sharp knife. The death had to be inflicted clearly as a consequence of its sacrificial purpose. Why is this Old Testament symbolism important? See Isaiah 53:7 and Acts 8:26-35
5. What difference does Christ's resurrection make in your daily life?
6. Pray for one another/for someone you know who does not yet know Christ.