LESSON 29

- 1. Did the Israelites believe God's Words that He had spoken to Moses?
- -Yes.
- 2. If we do not believe God's Words, what are we calling God?
- -A liar.
- 3. Will God save those who do not believe God's Words? -No.
- 4. What did Pharaoh say when Moses said that the Lord was commanding him to let the Israelites go?
- -Pharaoh said, "I do not know the Lord, and I will not let Israel go."
- 5. Did God know that Pharaoh would not let the Israelites leave Egypt?
- -Yes.
- -God knows everything even before it happens.
- 6. Why did God decide to show his great power to Pharaoh and the Egyptians?
- -So they would know that He alone was the true God.
- 7. How did God show His great power to the Egyptians and to the Israelites?
- -God sent great plagues on Pharaoh and the Egyptians.

- 8. What were those plagues?
- -God turned the river to blood.
- -God sent frogs to bother the Egyptians.
- -God sent gnats to bite the Egyptians.
- -God sent flies to bite the Egyptians.
- -God killed all of the Egyptians' cattle.
- -God sent boils to cause much pain to the Egyptians.
- -God sent hail to destroy the Egyptians' crops.
- -God sent locusts to eat up the Egyptians' crops.
- -God sent total darkness so the Egyptians were not able to see.
- 9. What did Pharaoh say each time God sent a plague?
- -Pharaoh told Moses that He would let the Israelites go.
- 10. What did Pharaoh do each time God took away the plague?
- -Pharaoh refused to let the Israelites go.
- 11. Why did these plagues not enter the land of the Israelites?
- -Because God promised Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob that He would bless them, and make them into a great people.
- -Because God was showing Pharaoh, the Egyptians, and the Israelites that He alone is God, and there is no other.
- 12. What will happen to those who fight against God?
- -God will destroy them.

- -Although God had sent nine terrible plagues to Pharaoh and the Egyptians, did Pharaoh let the Israelites go? -No.
- -Did God know that Pharaoh would refuse to let the Israelites go?
- -Yes.
- -God always knew that Pharaoh would refuse to let the Israelites go.
- -Even before God called Moses to lead the Israelites, God knew that Pharaoh would refuse to let the Israelites go.
- -God knows everything before it happens.
- -Can Pharaoh fight against God and win?
- -No.
- -Can anyone fight against God and win?
- -No.
- -No matter what people say, they cannot stop the work of God.
- -No matter what people do, they cannot stop the work of God.
- -If God decides to do something, He will always finish it.
- -God would send one more plague, and then Pharaoh would let the Israelites go.

- 1-Now the LORD had said to Moses, "I will bring one more plague on Pharaoh and on Egypt. After that, he will let you go from here, and when he does, he will drive you out completely."
- -What was to be the last plague that God would send?

Let's read Exodus 11:4-7

- 4-So Moses said, "This is what the LORD says: 'About midnight I will go throughout Egypt.
- 5-Every firstborn son in Egypt will die, from the firstborn son of Pharaoh, who sits on the throne, to the firstborn son of the slave girl, who is at her hand mill, and all the firstborn of the cattle as well.
- 6-There will be loud wailing throughout Egypt-worse than there has ever been or ever will be again.
- 7-But among the Israelites not a dog will bark at any man or animal.' Then you will know that the LORD makes a distinction between Egypt and Israel."
- -The last plague would be the plague which would kill all of the Egyptians' firstborn children and cattle.
- -Because the last plague was the most terrible, God told the Israelites to prepare for the plague.

-Because the last plague was the most terrible, what did God command the Israelites to do so their firstborn would not die?

Let's read Exodus 12:1 & 3-5

- 1-The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt,
- 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.
- 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.
- 5-The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats."
- -What did God command every husband of every Israelite family to do so that their firstborn would not die?
- -To choose a one-year-old male lamb or goat.
- -What type of lamb or goat did God command the Israelites to choose so that their firstborn would not die?
- -One without defect.
- -Why did God command that the one-year-old male lamb or goat be without defect?

- -Because God is perfect.
- -Because everything that God says is perfect.
- -Because everything that God does is perfect.
- -God would only accept a one-year-old male lamb or goat that was without a defect.
- -God would never accept a sick sacrifice.
- -God would never accept an injured sacrifice.
- -Do you remember the ram that was caught by its horns in the bush to be sacrificed instead of Isaac?
- -Why was the ram caught by its horns?
- -Because God is perfect.
- -Because God will only accept a perfect sacrifice.
- -If the Israelites were to be saved from death, what were they to be careful to do?
- -To obey God's command.
- -And only choose a one-year-old male lamb or goat without defect.
- -What else did God command the Israelites to do?

- 6-The LORD said, "Take care of the animals until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the people of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight."
- -How long did God command the Israelites to keep the lamb?
- -Until the fourteenth day of the month.
- -On the fourteenth day of the month, what did God command the Israelites to do with the lamb?
- -God commanded that the lamb must be killed.
- -God commanded that the lamb must die.
- -Why did God command that the lamb must die?
- -This was to teach the Israelites that God's punishment for sin is death.
- -Before Adam and Eve sinned, there was no death in the world.
- -Because Adam and Eve sinned, death came into the world.
- -Because Adam and Eve sinned, death comes to all people.
- -What did God command the Israelites to do with the blood of the lamb?
- -To catch the blood of the lamb in a bowl.

- -If the Israelites were to be saved from death, then they must be careful to obey God's command.
- -And kill the one-year-old male lamb or goat, and catch its blood in a bowl.
- -What did God command the Israelites to do with the blood of the lamb?

- 7-The LORD said, "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."
- -God commanded the Israelites to put the blood on the top and on both sides of the door of the house where they would be eating the meat of the lamb that night.
- -It was the blood of the lamb that would save the Israelites from God's punishment.
- -If the Israelites were to be saved from death, then they were to be careful to obey God's command.
- -And put the blood on the top and on both sides of the door of the house where they would be eating the meat of the lamb that night.
- -What else did God command the Israelites?

- 22-The LORD said, "Not one of you shall go out the door of his house until morning."
- -God commanded the Israelites to stay in the house with the blood on its door until morning.
- -The Israelites were to stay inside with the blood on the outside.
- -Why did God command the Israelites to stay inside the house with the blood on the outside?
- -The blood on the outside was to cover the Israelites on the inside.
- -The death of the lamb on the outside was to cover the Israelites on the inside.
- -If the Israelites were to be saved from death, then they were to be careful to obey God's command.
- -And stay in the house with the blood on its door until morning.
- -What else did God command the Israelites?

Let's read Exodus 12:46b

- 46-The LORD said, "Do not break any of the bones."
- -God commanded the Israelites not to break any of the bones of the lamb.
- -If the Israelites were to be saved from death, then they were to be careful to obey God's command.
- -And not break any of the bones of the lamb or goat.
- -God told the Israelites to do everything exactly as He commanded.
- -If the Israelites did not do everything exactly as God commanded, what would happen to them?
- -The plague would come to them, and their firstborn would also die.
- -God would save the firstborn of the Israelites only if they did everything exactly as He commanded.
- -God would save the firstborn of the Israelites only if they followed God's path.
- -Will God allow us to save ourselves in our own way? -No.
- -Whose path is the only path that will save us?

- -God's path.
- -What happened when Adam and Eve followed their own path and made clothes out of leaves?
- -God rejected their clothes.
- -What happened when Cain followed his own path and refused to sacrifice as God said?
- -God rejected Cain's sacrifice.
- -God's path is the only path that will save us.
- -If we do not take God's path, then God will reject us.
- -What did God promise if the Israelites would obey Him?

- 12-The LORD said, "On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn--both men and animals--and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD.
- 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.
- 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."

- -If the Israelites obeyed God's commands, what did God promise to do?
- -God promised that the plague would not come to them, and their firstborn would not die.
- -Did the Israelites obey God?

28-The Israelites did just what the LORD commanded Moses and Aaron.

- -The Israelites did exactly that which God commanded them to do.
- -If an Israelite would choose a sick lamb to sacrifice, would God save him?
- -No.
- -If an Israelite would only tie up a lamb next to the door and not kill it, would God save him?
 -No.
- -The lamb had to die.
- -The blood of the lamb had to be shed.
- -God did not want the Israelites to forget that God's punishment for sin is death.

-What happened later that night?

Let's read Exodus 12:29-30

- 29-At midnight the LORD struck down all the firstborn in Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh, who sat on the throne, to the firstborn of the prisoner, who was in the dungeon, and the firstborn of all the livestock as well.
- 30-Pharaoh and all his officials and all the Egyptians got up during the night, and there was loud wailing in Egypt, for there was not a house without someone dead.
- -Pharaoh's firstborn child and all the firstborn children of the Egyptians died.
- -The firstborn of Pharaoh's cattle and all the firstborn of the cattle of the Egyptians died.
- -Did God kill all of the firstborn of the Egyptians as He said?
- -Yes.
- -God's punishment for sin is death.
- -God will punish all sin.
- -God will punish all sin with death.
- -When God decides to punish sin, no one can escape.
- -Were any of the firstborn of the Israelites killed?
- -No.

- -Why were none of the firstborn of the Israelites killed?
- -Because the Israelites obeyed God and put the blood on the doors of their houses.
- -Just as the ram without defect died as a substitute for Isaac, so the lambs without defect died as a substitute for the firstborn of the Israelites.
- -Because the Israelites obeyed God, did God keep His promise and pass over the homes of the Israelites?
 -Yes.
- -God remembered His promise to lead the Israelites out of Egypt and out of slavery.
- -God remembered His promise to send the Savior through Abraham and the Israelites.
- -The Israelites were children of Adam and Eve just like the Egyptians.
- -The Israelites were born into sin just like the Egyptians.
- -The Israelites had sinned and deserved to die just like the Egyptians.
- -It was only the grace of God that saved the Israelites.
- -It is only the grace of God that saves anyone.

-After Pharaoh's firstborn and all of the Egyptians' firstborn died, what did Pharaoh do?

Let's read Exodus 12:31-36

- 31-During the night Pharaoh summoned Moses and Aaron and said, "Up! Leave my people, you and the Israelites! Go, worship the LORD as you have requested.
- 32-Take your flocks and herds, as you have said, and go. And also bless me."
- 33-The Egyptians urged the people to hurry and leave the country. "For otherwise," they said, "we will all die!"
- 34-So the people took their dough before the yeast was added, and carried it on their shoulders in kneading troughs wrapped in clothing.
- 35-The Israelites did as Moses instructed and asked the Egyptians for articles of silver and gold and for clothing.
- 36-The LORD had made the Egyptians favorably disposed toward the people, and they gave them what they asked for; so they plundered the Egyptians.
- -That night, Pharaoh called Moses and let the Israelites go.
- -Pharaoh thought he was able to fight against God.
- -Pharaoh thought he was able to fight against God and defeat God.

- -Satan also thought he was able to fight against God and defeat God.
- -No one can defeat God.
- -No one can stop the work of God.
- -God will save those who take the path of God.
- -God will destroy those who take their own path.

- 51-And on that very day the LORD brought the Israelites out of Egypt by their divisions.
- -God kept His promise and led the Israelites out of Egypt.
- -Can Pharaoh fight against God and win?
- -No.
- -Can anyone fight against God and win?
- -No.