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## Passover Started with Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday and Passover rarely occur on the same date. To the best of my knowledge, the last time this happened was 20 years ago on April 8, 2001. This was the first Sunday service for Life Song Church (AKA Lights of Hope Ministry). God supernaturally formed LSC in 7 days; a complete “turn-key” church.

Palm Sunday is a Christian holiday and Passover is a Jewish holiday. Passover is the greatest of the Jewish feast. This happened over 3500 years ago and the Jews still celebrate it today. Palm Sunday is the prelude to Resurrection Sunday which is the greatest of the Christian celebrations. This happened 2,000 years ago and we still celebrate it today.

God made a promise a covenant with Abraham to make a great nation from him that would bless all of the people on earth. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob (Israel) set up the patriarchal family system in which God was to bless mankind. Jacob’s 12 sons entered Egypt as only a few people, but 400 years later grew into a great multitude. It was time for God to bring His nation Israel out from bondage in Egypt through great signs and wonders. The 10 Plagues were: Blood, Frogs, Lice, Flies, Livestock diseased, Boils, Hail, Locusts, Darkness and the Death of the firstborn. For the most part, the 10 Plagues affected the Egyptians, and not the Israelites.

After experiencing 9 of the 10 plagues that God sent to show His power over the Egyptian gods, the children of Israel were given their first commandment as a nation. The first commandment God gave the Jewish people was to “**take a lamb**” for your household. This was given before the Ten Commandments.

**Ex 12:3** *Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying: 'On the **tenth of this month** every man **shall take** for himself a lamb, according to the house of his father, **a lamb for a household**.*

“**Shall Take**” Strong’s #3947 Hebrew *laqach* (law-kakh) accept, bring, buy, carry away, drawn, receive (-ing), send for, take (away, -ing, up).

**Household:** Strong’s #1004 bayith (bah-yith) several meanings, but the most common is family.

**Ex 12:5-8** *Your **lamb** shall be **without blemish**, a male of the first year. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats. 6 Now you shall keep it until the **fourteenth day** of the same month. Then the whole **assembly of the congregation** of Israel shall kill it at twilight. 7 And they shall take some of the **blood and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel** of the houses where they eat it.*

“**Assembly of the Congregation**” the word assembly is Strong’s #6961 *qahal* (kak-hal) a congregation, assembly called together. The NT Greek word *ekklesia* (a congregation called together) parallels qahal. *Ekklesia* is translated as “church.”

**Ex 12:6** is the first usage in the Bible of the term “assembly of the congregation,” and it relates to the sacrifice of a lamb and the blood of that lamb being a covering or protection from the destroyer, over our family and our church!

According to Messianic Rabbi Jonathan Cahn, the “tenth day of month” in this passage, was Sunday, the day the lamb was brought into the **house** making **Palm Sunday** the first **holy day** given to the Jews. The lamb was to be sacrificed on the fourteenth day (4 days later would be Thursday). Jesus had the Passover meal with His disciples on Thursday night, 4 days after He entered Jerusalem, coming as the sacrificial Lamb. He was with His spiritual family in a house, in the “upper room.”

**John 12:12-13** *The next day a great multitude that had come to the feast (Passover), when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, 13 took branches of **palm trees** and went out to meet Him, and cried out: "**Hosanna!** (Yeshua) 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD! 'The King of Israel!'" Reference Scripture is **Ps 118:25-26***

The Old Testament Prophecy of Jesus:

**Ps 118:25-26** ***Save now**, I pray, O LORD; O LORD, I pray, send now prosperity. 26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! **We have blessed you from the house of the LORD.***

## Yasha na! Victory through Jesus!

**Save:** Strong's #3467, Hebrew, *yasha`* (yaw-shah'); rescue, **salvation**, save (-iour), **get victory**. From *yasha* comes the word **Yeshua** (Hosanna) and it means "**He shall save,**" **Now:** Strong's #4994, Hebrew *na'* (naw); "I pray," "now,"

**Luke 22:7-12** *Then came the Day of Unleavened Bread, when the **Passover must be killed**. 8 And He sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat." 9 So they said to Him, "**Where do You want us to prepare?**" 10 And He said to them, "Behold, when you have entered the **city**, a man will meet you carrying a pitcher of water; follow him into the house which he enters. 11 Then you shall say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, "Where is the guest room where I may eat the Passover with My disciples?'" 12 Then he will show you a large, furnished **upper room**; there make ready."*

The first Palm Sunday the lamb was brought into the house (*bayith*) to save the people. Hundreds of years later, a prophetic shout is recorded in Psalms; Yeshua saves! we have been blessed from the house (*bayith*) of the LORD. Jesus rides into Jerusalem fulfilling prophecy on Palm Sunday to be our sacrificial lamb, saving our house!

The first commandment God gave to the Jewish people was to "receive the lamb" for a blood sacrifice to be applied to their door post and lintel as a covering of protection for their new beginning or new life all starting on Palm Sunday.

The blood of the lamb was placed on the door post and lintel in the evening so later that night, the destroyer would Passover their home. Then in the morning when the family left their house, they had to go through the blood-door to be free and delivered from bondage.

**John 10:9-10** *I am the **door**. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. 10 The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.*

**Luke 22:14-21** *When the hour had come, He sat down, and the twelve apostles with Him. 15 Then He said to them, "With fervent desire I have desired to eat this **Passover with you before I suffer**; 16 for I say to you, I will no longer eat of it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God."*

*17 Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; 18 for I say to you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."*

*19 And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me."*

*20 Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you."*

Every time we receive communion, we confirm our blood covenant with Jesus. His covenant to provide, protect and heal our bodies. Jesus is the door to abundant life. His blood is on the door to our heart, the door to our house, our family. We are family! God's first command was for His children was to "take-receive the Lamb" apply His blood to protect us from the destroyer and deliver us from bondage.