

**WHY A  
STABLE?**

## WHY WAS JESUS BORN IN A STABLE AND LAID IN A MANGER?

Luke 2:7 "And she brought forth her firstborn son and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn."

Song=="Have You Any Room For Jesus" (A.H. pp. 218)

"The Old Testament is the New Testament concealed. The New Testament is the Old Testament revealed."

### I. Consider Old Testament Sacrifices!

#### INDIVIDUAL NEED MET

A. Abel's Offering=Genesis 4:1-5; verse 4; "And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering."

Hebrews 11:4; "By Faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh."

##### 1. Accepted because:

NOTE=FOLLOWING ARE 2 PRINCIPLES OF GOD REVEALED IN THE FOLLOWING SCRIPTURES:

##### (a) It was a blood sacrifice!

(1) Hebrews 9:22b; "And without shedding of blood is no remission (forgiveness)" WHY???

(2) Leviticus 17:11b; "For it is the blood that maketh an atonement (covering) for the soul"

##### (b) It was by Faith!

(1) Hebrews 11:6; "But without faith it is impossible to please Him (God)"

B. The Offering of Isaac=Genesis 22;1-14;

#### THE FAMILY NEED MET

C. The Passover=Exodus 12:1-13; 37-41;

1. Verse 2--A New Beginning

2. Verse 5--The Special Lamb

(a) Without Blemish

(b) A Male

(c) Of the first year

(d) Separated or penned up for 4 days

3. Verse 6--The lamb was to be killed by the  
"whole assembly of the congregation of Israel"
4. Verse 7--The blood was to be applied
5. Verse 8--The flesh of the Lamb was to be eaten
6. Verse 10--The remains were to be done away with  
before the next day.
7. Verse 13--Those who had the blood applied did not  
see death and the first born did not die
8. Verse 37, 41--Thus they were delivered from the  
bondage in Egypt

THE NATIONAL NEED MET

- D. The Brazen Altar--Exodus 29:38-46;  
1. Two Lambs were offered as sacrifices each day!

THE WORLD NEED

- E. The Whole World, EVERY MAN, WOMAN, BOY, OR GIRL is  
guilty of SIN and thus NEEDS A SAVIOUR!!
1. Romans 3:23: "FOR ALL HAVE SINNED AND COME  
SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD"
  2. Romans 3:10: "As it is written, THERE IS NONE  
RIGHTEOUS, NO, NOT ONE"
  3. Isaiah 53:2-7: Verse 6 "All we like sheep have  
gone astray; we have turned every one to his own  
way; and the LORD hath laid on Him the iniquity  
of us all."
  4. Isaiah 64:6: "But we are all as an unclean  
thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy  
rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our  
iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away  
(from God)."

II. NEW TESTAMENT REVELATION

(Remember, the Old Testament is the New Testament  
concealed, The New Testament is the Old Testament  
REVEALED!)

John 1:35-36: "Again the next day after John stood and  
two of his disciples; and looking upon Jesus as He  
walked, he saith "BEHOLD, THE LAMB OF GOD"

John 1:29: "The next day John seeth Jesus coming  
unto Him, and saith, **BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD, WHICH  
TAKETH AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD.**"

**JESUS CHRIST WAS BORN IN A STABLE AND LAID IN A MANGER!! WHAT A FITTING PLACE FOR A LAMB TO BE BORN!!**

III. CONSIDER THE OLD TESTAMENT SACRIFICES AGAIN WITH THE NEW TESTAMENT REVELATIONS IN MIND!

A. Abel--Genesis 4:4a "And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock"

Luke 2:7; "And she brought forth her firstborn"

B. Genesis 22:13; "And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket...and Abraham...offered him up for a burnt-offering in the stead of his son."

(consider==2 men, 3 days, Isaac-wood, "God will provide Himself a sacrifice" and so He did, Jehovah-Jireh-the LORD will see, or provide)

John 8:56; "Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day and he saw it, and was glad"

C. Exodus 12:1-13, 37-41;

1. Without Blemish--I Peter 1:18-19; 2:22;  
Hebrews 4:15;

2. A Male--The Son of God

3. First year--reminding us of the First Born

4. Separated or kept up 4 days--

II Peter 3:8; "That one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day." 4 DISPENSATIONS or periods of time during which God dealt with man in regards to His revealed will after man's fall into sin which are called 2. Conscious 3. Human Government 4. Promise 5. Law.

5. The lamb was to be killed by the whole congregation of Israel-Exodus 12:6;  
Matthew 27:25 "Then answered all the people and said, His blood be on us, and on our children."

6. Exodus 12:7; The blood of the lamb had to be applied God's way for deliverance from death! Ephesians 2:13; "But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ"

Romans 3:25a; "Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood,"

Romans 5:9; "Much more then, being now justified by His blood"

Ephesians 1:7; "In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins,"

(20) And, having made peace through the blood of His cross,"

Hebrews 9:12b; "but by His own blood He entered in once into the holy place having obtained eternal redemption for us.

I John 1:7c; "and the blood of Jesus Christ His son cleanseth us from all sin."

7. Exodus 12:8; **The Flesh of the Lamb was to be**

**eaten.** Luke 22:19-20; "And He took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, 'This is my body which is given for you; this do in remembrance of me.' Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, 'This cup is the New Testament in my blood, which is shed for you.'"

8. Exodus 12:10; **The remains were to be done away with before the next day.** John 19:31-42;

(I Corinthians 15:3-4;) Christ was buried the day He was crucified.

9. Exodus 12:13; **Those who had the blood applied**

**did not see death.** I Peter 1:18a-19; "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, But with the precious blood of Christ as of a lamb without blemish and without spot."

I John 1:7b "and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin."

Revelation 1:5; "Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood."

Revelation 2:11c; "He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death."

I John 5:5; "Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God."

10. Exodus 12:33, 41-42; **Thus they were delivered from the bondage of Egypt!** Romans 6:6-12;  
Galatians 5:1; "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage."

John 8:32; "And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

John 14:6a; "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the TRUTH, and the life:"

D. THE BRAZEN ALTER = Exodus 29:38-46;

1. **This was the place where God met Moses and Israel. V. 42-43;** The cross of Christ is the meeting place where the Holy God meets with sinful men and accepts them because of God's Lamb which was offered as a sacrifice for the sins of the world! Isaiah 53:2-11; 52:13-14; Psalm 22:1-18; John 3:14-18;

John 1:29b; "**Behold the lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world**"

E. THE LAMB OF GOD AS SEEN IN REVELATION!

1. Revelation 5:1-6:1;
2. The wrath of the Lamb is revealed in Revelation 6:16;
3. A look into the future of Tribulation believers (Perhaps witnessed to by the 144,000 Jews) who will one day stand before the Lamb and where He will lead them!  
Revelation 7:9-17;
4. How will the Tribulation Believers overcome Satan? Revelation 12:11;
5. The Lamb was slain from the foundation of the world! Revelation 13:8;
6. A vision of The Lamb with the 144,000 Jewish Witnesses! Revelation 14:1-5; (Rev.7:3-8;)
7. Those who worship the beast and his image will be tormented in the presence of the Lamb!  
Revelation 14:9-10;

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8. The Tribulation saints will sing the song of  
The Lamb! Revelation 15:2-3;
9. The beast and his followers shall make war with  
The Lamb! Revelation 17:12-14;
10. The marriage supper of the Lamb! Rev. 19:7-9;
11. The names of the apostles of the Lamb are in  
the 12 foundations of the New Jerusalem!  
Revelation 21:14;
12. The Lord God Almighty and the LAMB are the  
Temple of the New Jerusalem. Rev. 21:22;
13. The Lamb is the light of the New Jerusalem  
Revelation 21:23;
14. The water of life will come from the throne  
Of God and of the Lamb in the New Jerusalem.  
Revelation 22:1;
15. We will serve God and the Lamb in the New  
Jerusalem. Revelation 22:3;

