

For Here or To Go?

Intro

- When you go to a restaurant that has a drive up window, at the end of your order they ask you a question - for here or to go? In Australia is take away.
 - How many are for here people? How many to go?
 - I'm a to go person. Years of yoyo man, though Jess made lunches often.
- There are times to sit and enjoy. There are times to go, to take away.
 - This might sound lame but the same is true in a relationship with Jesus.
 - First off, do you have one? What sense does it make to go to a restaurant and not order anything? Many people who call themselves Christians do this.
 - Second, if you are a for here person, are you enjoying the meal or is it just sitting there on your tray? I'm a Christian, I have Jesus, but that's all I'm willing to do. Dig in! Enjoy! He is the bread of life! His words are the water of life!
 - Third, the word tells us to get it to go. Go and make disciples. Walk in the Spirit. Run the race to win it. Are you doing that? Have you ever done that?
- We are going to see that God takes these things very seriously. It isn't just faith, it isn't just works, it is those two working together in a real relationship with the living God.
- RECAP

Exodus 11

- Unclear, but this conversation is probably part of the exchange at the end of 10 after the plague of darkness.
- 11:1 Moses probably didn't know how many plagues there were going to be. Go till God says stop. Plague is on Pharaoh and Egypt.
- 11:3 Fulfillment of Genesis 15 and Exodus 3.
- 11:5 In the whole land, including Israel. Who were the servants? The Hebrews.
- 11:7 Yet the point of all of this is to make a distinction between the two groups.
- After all of this, even after this warning, still no go.

Exodus 12

- 12:1-11
 - A lamb, the lamb, your lamb. Will come back to that later.
 - You will be ready to move when the signal is given.
 - Will sort out all these dates later, more to come.
- 12:12-20
 - 12:12 Even this one is against the gods of Egypt. Did you know most of the Hebrews were probably idolators as well. Leviticus 17:7.
 - These plagues were as much for the Hebrews as for the Egyptians, to show them that God is God.
 - Those false Gods couldn't deliver any of them. Couldn't then, can't today. Your gods are anything you look to when the pressure is on.
 - The temples at the mall. The gods of the grocery or convenience store.
 - The god of science. The god of position. The god of good works.
 - None of these can save you.

- Survey rest.
- 12:21-28
 - What if you didn't obey this thing? Would be subject to the plague. Could the Egyptians have done this also? Of course. Does seem that any of them did. Why not? Remember that these animals were the embodiment of their gods. Can't kill a god to another god. You would have to commit to one or the other, to be ostracized from your people. Hm.
 - The whole nation did this. Hundreds and thousands of lambs and goats. After having this pet for four days, you kill and eat it.
- 12:29-51. Survey. Mixed multitude, concept of insiders and outsiders.

Passover - a future and past memorial to Jesus

- This whoever thing is a dramatic picture of the gospel.
- What is the basis for being saved from this; born a Hebrew or not, being an idolators or not, or the blood of the lamb? God's promise and one's obedience in faith.
- John the Baptist introduces Jesus as the lamb of God. Called so 28 times in Rev.
- A lamb, the lamb, your lamb. Sacrificial. Eat my body, drink my blood. 1 Peter 2:17-21.
- Blood on the two posts and header, blood dripping from header to floor would make a cross.
- Dates
 - 10th. Bring lamb in, live with you, look for blemishes. Triumphant entry of Jesus, Luke 19:41-44, Egyptian word related to Passover involves covering over with a wing for protection. Jesus examined by Pharisees, couldn't find a fault.
 - 14th. Passover, lambs slain. Crucifixion.
 - 17th. Feast of first fruits that year, resurrection, anniversary of ark coming to rest.