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Not only was Moses's faith-based action was to forsake his privileged position, but also, by faith Moses was able to see the invisible. Exodus 3:1-6 gives us the details of this historical fact: "Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, even to Horeb. **2** And the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed. **3** And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt. **4** And when the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I. **5** And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground. **6** Moreover he said, I am the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God."

Stephen again gives us insight in Acts 7:30-35 "**30** And when forty years were expired, there appeared to him in the wilderness of mount Sinai an angel of the Lord in a flame of fire in a bush. **31** When Moses saw it, he wondered at the sight: and as he drew near to behold it, the voice of the Lord came unto him, **32** Saying, I am the God of thy fathers, the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Then Moses trembled, and durst not behold. **33** Then said the Lord to him, Put off thy shoes from thy feet: for the place where thou standest is holy ground. **34** I have seen, I have seen the affliction of my people which is in Egypt, and I have heard their groaning, and am come down to deliver them. And now come, I will send thee into Egypt. **35** This Moses whom they refused, saying, Who made thee a ruler and a judge? the same did God send to be a ruler and a deliverer by the hand of the angel which appeared to him in the bush."

Paul in 2 Corinthians 4:18 says, "While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal." I found the Word Complete Study Bible chapter heading very interesting— "Never Give Up." In verse 2 we walk according to truth. "But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God." Verses 5 and 6 speak of his preaching. "**5** For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. **6** For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ."

This knowledge enables steadfastness in perilous times. "**7** But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us. **8** We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; **9** Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed; **10** Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body. **11** For we which live are always delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh. **12** So then death worketh in us, but life in you. **13** We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak." We understand we will one day be raised up. "**14** Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you."

He wanted to see God's grace super abound in them for God's glory. "**15** For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God." We don't faint because of our restoration of the inner man that is the place enabling us to see the unseen "**16** For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. **17** For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; **18** While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal."

First, faith produced insight into Moses's parents to see he was a proper child. Second, faith produces a response of refusal to titles of prestige. Third, faith produced an ability to let go of Egypt. Fourth, faith produced a taking of the Passover. Fifth, produced power to pass through the Red Sea.

Faith produced a taking of the Passover. (**Hebrews 11:28** Through faith he kept the Passover, and the sprinkling of blood, lest he that destroyed the firstborn should touch them.)

Let's take a moment to pull back and look at the big picture. To understand God's big picture, we need to see some points of His character and His dealing with men setting up the explanation of how Moses showed faith in taking the Passover.

God's underlining purpose in history is His Glory. Two ways through which this is accomplished is through judgment and redemption, and sometimes He gives redemption during judgment. Passover is a story of deliverance and redemption during judgment as well as the cross.

Malachi 6:3 tells us, "For I am the Lord, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed." The truth is God's character is always the same, but He also can choose to involve Himself in the affairs of man in different ways. An example is salvation. "Salvation has always been by grace through faith made possible through the blood of Christ alone. However, that doesn't mean that a Holy God doesn't change and adjust how He administers judgment and redemption for sinful man as history develops and His program for Glory gradually becomes more clear." ([The Spring Feasts of Israel \[Class #1\] - YouTube](#) Minute 5:08-5:38.)

God executed judgment and redemption both at the Passover and the Cross. The administrations of both were to offer redemption during judgment, but one administration was a picture of Christ, and the other was the Person of Christ.

A broad overview to help us understand God's administrations through history. Eden, global, Theocratic, Church age, Restored Theocratic (Global) and Eden restored."

What is Theocracy? And how will God administrate the Theocracy? "Theocracy/Theocratic Kingdom is a form of national government where God is King and the people of the nation are His subjects. Ancient Israel is a theocracy that: first, was guaranteed/promised by the Abrahamic Covenant (**Genesis 12:2** And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing.)

Second, was established by the Mosaic Covenant (**Exodus 6:2-8** And God spoke unto Moses, and said unto him, I am the Lord: **3** And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of God Almighty, but by my name JEHOVAH was I not known to them. **4** And I have also established my covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their pilgrimage, wherein they were strangers. **5** And I have also heard the groaning of the children of Israel, whom the Egyptians keep in bondage; and I have remembered my covenant. **6** Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments: **7** And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that I am the Lord your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. **8** And I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it you for a heritage: I am the Lord. **Exodus 19-34; Deuteronomy 28-30.**)

Third, was modified in the Davidic Covenant (**2 Samuel 7.**) Was suspended for disobedience to Mosaic Covenant (**Leviticus 26-31-45 Deuteronomy 28:64-68** And the Lord shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, even wood and stone. **65** And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: but the Lord shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind: **66** And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life: **67** In the morning thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and at even thou shalt say, Would God it were morning! for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see. **68** And the Lord shall bring thee into Egypt again with ships, by the way whereof I spoke unto thee, Thou shalt see it no more again: and there ye shall be sold unto your enemies for bondmen and bondwomen, and no man shall buy you. **Jeremiah 52** and **Ezekiel 10.**)

Fourth, will be restored through the New Covenant in the future (**Jeremiah 29-33; Ezekiel 40-48; Acts 1:6-8** When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? **7** And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. **8** But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part

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of the earth. **Romans 11:26-27** And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Zion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: **27** For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins. and **Revelation 20**) (The Spring Feasts of Israel [Class #1] - YouTube minute 8:17).

Christ suspended Israel's Theocracy Kingdom, and it is during this suspension that Christ will build His Church (**Matthew 16:18** And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.) The Church isn't made up of just Israel but all nations (**Ephesians 2:11-22**.) The Church is a mystery (**Ephesians 3:1-13**). When Church is raptured (**1 Thessalonians 4:1; 1 Corinthians 15:51-52** Behold, I show you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, **52** In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. **Revelation 3:10** Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.) Christ will judge the world and bring Israel to repentance (**Deuteronomy 4:30-31** When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon thee, even in the latter days, if thou turn to the Lord thy God, and shalt be obedient unto his voice; **31** (For the Lord thy God is a merciful God;) he will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which he swore unto them.), restoring the Theocracy (**Deuteronomy 30:5-10** And the Lord thy God will bring thee into the land which thy fathers possessed, and thou shalt possess it; and he will do thee good, and multiply thee above thy fathers. **6** And the Lord thy God will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live. **7** And the Lord thy God will put all these curses upon thine enemies, and on them that hate thee, which persecuted thee. **8** And thou shalt return and obey the voice of the Lord, and do all his commandments which I command thee this day. **9** And the Lord thy God will make thee plenteous in every work of thine hand, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy land, for good: for the Lord will again rejoice over thee for good, as he rejoiced over thy fathers: **10** If thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which are written in this book of the law, and if thou turn unto the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul.), where the Church will reign with Christ (**2 Timothy 2:12** If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: if we deny him, he also will deny us: **Revelations 2:26** And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations.) while God fulfills His promises to nation Israel." (The Spring Feasts of Israel [Class #1] - YouTube minute 10:23.)

I want to take time to discuss the time period in Moses' life when he displayed faith in taking the Passover, and then we will close with an introduction to next week's sermon. Deuteronomy 6:6-7 is an amazing passage concerning the Passover and it displays the faith in God that Moses showed we then introduce how Christ is that Passover land and how and why he fulfills all the symbolisms in the Passover.

(**Exodus 6:6-7** Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments: **7** And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that I am the Lord your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.) Moses has been rejected by Pharaoh and the Israelite leaders in chapter five and God comes to Moses to show Moses His plan. (**Exodus 19:3-6** And Moses went up unto God, and the Lord called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel; **4** Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself. **5** Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine: **6** And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.)

Christ proclaims the meaning of the elements taken at Passover (**Matthew 26:26-29** And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and broke it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. **27** And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; **28** For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. **29** But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom. **John**

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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. **1 Corinthians 5:7-8** Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us: **8** Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.)

Let me take these verses both and New Testament and see if I can't draw some points from traditions of the Passover explained by Christian Jews. Exodus 6:6-7 if used as fence post to lead them through the Passover remembrance. This is pictured by four cups. First, the cup of sanctification "I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians." Second, the cup of rescue "and I will rid you out of their bondage." Third, the cup of redemption "and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments." Fourth, the cup of restoration "And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God." If the Christian Jewish scholars are right, Jesus, when observing Passover in Matthew 26, would have drunk the first three cups but not the fourth.