

TORAH, GOD'S INSTRUCTIONS  
LEVITICUS 23 – GOD'S HOLY DAYS – PASSOVER  
PART 3

Say - Welcome to Sabbath School class. Let's bow our head and ask God for understanding as we continue our study of the book of Leviticus. This lesson will focus on the Passover – Part 3.

Say – All of the above in Part 1 and Part 2 of the Passover lesson foreshadowed a future event; did Jesus, our Passover, die on the 14<sup>th</sup>? We will see the answer is **YES!** “In the **fourteenth day** of the first month at **even is the LORD's Passover**” Leviticus 23:5.

Matthew 27

<sup>1</sup>When the morning was come (Morning of the 14<sup>th</sup> on Wednesday, the preparation day before the first Sabbath of the Days of Unleavened Bread which was on a Thursday, a High Day, John 19:31.), all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death: (Plotted against Jesus.)

<sup>2</sup>And when they had bound him, they led him away, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor. (Why, because they wanted Rome to carry the sentence plus God was orchestrating everything.)

<sup>3</sup>Then Judas, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, (Judas did not want it to go this far for he was coming back to his senses but did not go to Christ and repent but repented before men.)

<sup>4</sup>Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What is that to us? see thou to that. (Judas recognized his sin and acknowledged it to the people but not to Christ.)

<sup>5</sup>And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself (This was against the Law of God “Thou shalt not kill” Exodus 20:13; now he was responsible for two murders. The Bible tells us “<sup>16</sup>Men and brethren, this scripture must needs have been fulfilled, which the Holy Ghost (spirit) by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took (arrested) Jesus. <sup>18</sup>Now this man (Judas) purchased a field

with the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out” Acts 1:16, 18.).

<sup>6</sup>And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood (They finally recognized what this was all about. The Bible tells us “<sup>11</sup>Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin” John 19:11. The priests felt no guilt in giving Judas money against an innocent man, Jesus, but “because it is the price of blood” it was wrong to take payment for killing; they had lost all sense of judgment. But all things were directed by God the Father.).

<sup>7</sup>And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in (as in foreigners).

<sup>8</sup>Wherefore that field was called, The field of blood, unto this day.

<sup>9</sup>Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was valued, whom they of the children of Israel did value; (God was directing all the events of the Passover so we can't hold them totally responsible. God also blinded them and we are all guilty for we were “enemies” to Christ before we were called and shown the truth of God. We cannot deny our part in the crucifixion because of our sin.)

<sup>10</sup>And gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me.

<sup>11</sup>And Jesus stood before the governor: and the governor asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And Jesus said unto him, Thou sayest. (Jesus did not choose to argue with them; His own people, His wife. The Bible tells us “<sup>37</sup>Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice” John 18:37.)

<sup>12</sup>And when he was accused of the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing.

<sup>13</sup>Then said Pilate unto him, Hearest thou not how many things they witness against thee?

<sup>14</sup>And he answered him to never a word; insomuch that the governor marvelled greatly. (The Bible tells us “<sup>23</sup>Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously: <sup>24</sup>Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed” I Peter 2:23-24).

<sup>15</sup>Now at that feast (of the Passover) the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom they would (wished).

<sup>16</sup>And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas (“Barabbas” means “son of a father or master” but not the son of God.).

<sup>17</sup>Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ (The Messiah; the will of God would prevail.)?

<sup>18</sup>For he knew that for envy they had delivered him.

<sup>19</sup>When he was set down on the judgment seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him.

<sup>20</sup>But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus (Same today, the minds and hearts of false preachers destroy the truth of God and the people go for it instead of teaching peace and love. This is how Satan destroys the truth of God and God allows it at this time. “<sup>14</sup>But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you; <sup>15</sup>And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses” Acts 3:14-15.).

<sup>21</sup>The governor answered and said unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said, Barabbas.

<sup>22</sup>Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ? They all say unto him, Let him be crucified.

<sup>23</sup>And the governor said, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified.

<sup>24</sup>When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the

multitude, saying, I am innocent (guiltless) of the blood of this just person: see ye to it.

<sup>25</sup>Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on, and on our children (Foolish people, cannot pronounce a guilty sentence on innocent children and it is contrary to the Law of God which says “<sup>16</sup>The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put to death for the fathers: every man shall be put to death for his own sin” Deuteronomy 24:16).

<sup>26</sup>Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered him (handed Him over) to be crucified.

<sup>27</sup>Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers (Void of mercy was the nature of the government.).

<sup>28</sup>And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet (purple) robe (Mocked Jesus, an innocent man.).

<sup>29</sup>And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him (“Mocked him” as was foretold by Christ, <sup>17</sup>And Jesus going up to Jerusalem took the twelve disciples apart in the way, and said unto them, <sup>18</sup>Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall condemn him to death, <sup>19</sup>And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify him: and the third day he shall rise again” Matthew 20:17-19). saying, Hail, King of the Jews! (The Bible tells us “<sup>19</sup>Thou hast known my reproach, and my shame, and my dishonour: mine adversaries are all before thee. <sup>20</sup>Reproach hath broken my heart; and I am full of heaviness: and I looked for some to take pity, but there was none; and for comforters, but I found none.

<sup>21</sup>They gave me also gall for my meat; and in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink. <sup>22</sup>Let their table become a snare before them: and that which should have been for their welfare, let it become a trap. <sup>23</sup>Let their eyes be darkened (from spiritual truth), that they see not; and make their loins continually to shake” Psalm 69:19-23.).

<sup>30</sup>And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him (kept beating Him) on the head.

<sup>31</sup>And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him.

<sup>32</sup>And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to bear his cross.

<sup>33</sup>And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull,

<sup>34</sup>They gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall (bile): and when he had tasted thereof, he would not drink (Some wine mixed with gall to give a longer punishment. This was done five times, Mark 15:23, Matthew 27:33, Luke 23:36, Matthew 27:48, John 19:29.).

<sup>35</sup>And they crucified him (nailed Jesus' hands and feet to the tree), and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots (Another prophecy fulfilled "<sup>18</sup>They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture. <sup>19</sup>But be not thou far from me, O LORD: O my strength, haste thee to help me." Psalm 22:18-19. "<sup>5</sup>But I am poor and needy: make haste unto me, O God: thou art my help and my deliverer; O LORD, make no tarrying" Psalm 70:5).

<sup>36</sup>And sitting down they watched him there; (Imagine they sat there and watched and guarded over to the end of the misery and pain; it could only be bestial thinking. In verse 54 below they said "Truly this was the Son of God". )

<sup>37</sup>And set up over his head his accusation written, THIS IS JESUS (Of Nazareth) THE KING OF THE JEWS.

<sup>38</sup>Then were there two thieves crucified with him, one on the right hand, and another on the left.

<sup>39</sup>And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads,

<sup>40</sup>And saying, Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself. If thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross (Perverting Jesus' words "<sup>19</sup>Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up" of John 2:19).

<sup>41</sup>Likewise also the chief priests mocking him, with the scribes and elders, said,

<sup>42</sup>He saved others; himself he cannot save. If he be the King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him (Why would they believe Jesus now?).

<sup>43</sup>He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God.

<sup>44</sup>The thieves also, which were crucified with him, cast the same in his teeth.

NOTE: In Mark 15:25 it says <sup>25</sup>And it was the third hour, and they crucified him (This was 9 A. M. on the 14<sup>th</sup>, which was on Wednesday, the Preparation Day before the High Day of the First Day of Unleavened Bread, an annual Sabbath, which was a Thursday, John 19:31.).

### Back to Matthew 27

<sup>45</sup>Now from the sixth hour (Daytime noon on Wednesday.) there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour (This had a spiritual meaning because the “light of the world” was taken away, Matthew 5:14.).

<sup>46</sup>And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me (“Ninth hour” means 3 P. M. on Wednesday, the 14<sup>th</sup>.)?

<sup>47</sup>Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said, This man calleth for Elias (Elijah).

<sup>48</sup>And straightway one of them ran, and took a sponge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink.

<sup>49</sup>The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias (Elijah) will come to save him.

<sup>50</sup>Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost (spirit, breathed His last breath).

<sup>51</sup>And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain (two) from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent (The "veil" was split in two and was now open to whomever God calls unto Him.);

<sup>52</sup>And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, (Witness of His power over life and death.)

<sup>53</sup>And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many (Not before Christ was resurrected because He was the first born of many brethren.).

<sup>54</sup>Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.

<sup>55</sup>And many women were there beholding afar off, which followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering unto him:

<sup>56</sup>Among which was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of Zebedees children.

**PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING EVENTS OF THE DAY  
JESUS DIED**

Say - Matthew 27:57-60- Joseph of Arimathaea took the Body of Jesus down.

<sup>57</sup>When the even was come (evening of the 14th, the burial of Jesus was to be done this same day according to the Law which says, "if a man have committed a sin worthy of death, and he be to be put to death, and thou hang him on a tree: 23His body shall not remain all night upon the tree, but thou shalt in any wise bury him that day; ...." Deuteronomy 21:22-23), there came a rich man of Arimathaea, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple:

<sup>58</sup>He went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered.

<sup>59</sup>And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth,

<sup>60</sup>And laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed.

Say - Luke 23:54-55 - The next event

54And that day was the preparation (the 14th), and the Sabbath (High Holy Day, the 15th, John 19:31, Leviticus 23:5) drew on.

55And the women also, which came with him from Galilee, followed after, and beheld the sepulchre, and how his body was laid.

Say - Mark 16:1 - The next event

1And when the Sabbath was past (the High Day Sabbath, the first Day of Unleavened Bread of the 15th), Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices (bought the spices on the 16th), that they might come and anoint him.

Say - Luke 23:56 - The next event

56And they returned (home), and prepared spices and ointments; and rested the Sabbath day (the weekly Sabbath on the 17th) according to the commandment. Exodus 20:30.

Say - Luke 24:1 – 7 The next event – The "women" came to the tomb to anoint the body of Jesus

Now upon the first day of the week (what we call Sunday), very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre (the women), bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain others with them.

2And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre.

3And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus.

4And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood by them in shining garments:

5And as they were afraid, and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye the living among the dead?

6He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee,

7Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.

Say – Christ has said to His people “<sup>15</sup>Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee. <sup>16</sup>**Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of my hands** (this is what I



went through to deliver you); thy walls are continually before me” Isaiah 49:15-16.

### BACK TO MATTHEW 27

<sup>61</sup>And there was Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, sitting over against the sepulchre.

<sup>62</sup>Now the next day (Thursday, the 15<sup>th</sup>), that followed the day of the preparation (Remember the Preparation day was Wednesday, the 14<sup>th</sup>. This was Thursday the first Sabbath Day of Unleavened Bread, a high day, the 15<sup>th</sup>, John 19:31, not the weekly Sabbath day.), the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate,

<sup>63</sup>Saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again.

<sup>64</sup>Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure (secured) until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first.

<sup>65</sup>Pilate said unto them, Ye have a watch (guard): go your way, make it as sure (secured) as ye can.

<sup>66</sup>So they went, and made the sepulchre sure (secure), sealing the stone, and setting a watch.

### Matthew 28

<sup>1</sup>In the end of the Sabbath (weekly Sabbath, the 7<sup>th</sup> day), as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week (Sunday, very early, still dark), came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.

<sup>2</sup>And, behold, there was a great earthquake (2<sup>nd</sup> earthquake, the 1<sup>st</sup> earthquake was when Jesus died): for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it.

<sup>3</sup>His countenance (general appearance) was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow:

<sup>4</sup>And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men (fainted, the truth was there all along but they would not listen, just like today.).

<sup>5</sup>And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified.

<sup>6</sup>He is not here: for he is risen (past tense, already happened), as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

<sup>7</sup>And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you.

<sup>8</sup>And they departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy; and did run to bring his disciples word.

<sup>9</sup>And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him (fell down at His feet to worship).

<sup>10</sup>Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid: go tell my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me.

<sup>11</sup>Now when they were going, behold, some of the watch came into the city, and shewed (told) unto the chief priests all the things that were done.

<sup>12</sup>And when they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave large money unto the soldiers (to bribe them),

<sup>13</sup>Saying, Say ye, His disciples came by night, and stole him away while we slept (They kept on lying and blamed it on the disciples.).

<sup>14</sup>And if this come to the governor's ears, we will persuade him, and secure you.

<sup>15</sup>So they took the money, and did as they were taught (instructed): and this saying is commonly reported among the Jews until this day.

<sup>16</sup>Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them.

<sup>17</sup>And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted (hesitated, had no faith).

<sup>18</sup>And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power (all authority) is given unto me in heaven and in earth.(In charge of all spirit beings evil and good.)

<sup>19</sup>Go ye therefore (and make disciples), and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost (spirit) (By the power of the holy spirit; without the spirit of God and Jesus God's people could not accomplish anything. Some say, see there are three but there is no trinity.

The Bible tells us “<sup>10</sup>That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ (at the blowing of the last trump), both which are in heaven (the human spirit which went to God), and which are on earth (those still alive); even in him: <sup>11</sup>In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will: <sup>12</sup>That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ. <sup>13</sup>In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise (It is the holy spirit of God and Christ which seals God's people and proves God loves His people; it is not a person as in the trinity. We can only receive God's spirit after baptism. This is God's protection or a mark for His people.), <sup>14</sup>Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory” Ephesians 1:10-14.):

Say – Now back to Matthew 28.

<sup>20</sup>Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world (age) (“<sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into any city of the Samaritans enter ye not: <sup>6</sup>But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel” Matthew 10:5-6. The disciples did not begin a Gentile church as some say;

while there are some Gentiles grafted in; most of the Gentile people will come later at the Last Great Day.). Amen

FOR THE SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON FOR PART – 3 - I WOULD LIKE YOU TO READ “[JESUS' DEATH, ONE DAY BEFORE](#)”