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MEN'S MINISTRY



Men's Quarterly

A Lamb For Every Man

Exodus 12:3 "Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house:"

As we approach Easter Sunday, I couldn't help thinking of this significant event in Jewish history, which to this day continues to be celebrated around the world. We remember the Passover as we celebrate the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As God was getting ready to deliver Israel from Egypt He instructed Moses to speak to the congregation of Israel and instruct all the men to take a lamb so that every house had a lamb. God gave Moses the instructions for every man to get a lamb for their homes on the 10th day of the month and keep it until the 14th day. On that evening they would kill the lamb and place the blood on the door posts of their home so that the death angel would "passover" their home and when he saw the blood they would be spared.

The sacrificing of the Lamb for atonement would become the role of the High Priest. It would be the tribe of Levi, the Levites, that would be the ministers in the tabernacle. The plan would soon be given to Moses on Mt. Sinai but on this night, every man in Israel became a priest! A priest of their home. He got the lamb. He sacrificed the lamb. He placed the blood on the door posts of their home. This role was given to the man.

There are three roles of man that I'd like to share with you, our men.

1. **Role of a King** - *The Role of a King*. A king takes responsibility for the welfare of his people. He provides both justice and mercy to his people. A king provides for and offers protection and security for his people. A husband is to be the family king. He provides for the needs of his family. He works diligently to earn enough for food and shelter. He administers discipline with fairness. He quickly forgives and overlooks offenses.
2. **Role of a Prophet** – A prophet represents God to the people. He speaks for God. A husband is to be the family prophet. He represents God to his wife and his family. He provides biblical instruction and training to his wife and children without becoming legalistic. He prepares family devotions and encourages private devotions. He is the arbiter of family values. He insists on regular church attendance. He is a *messenger* from God to his family.
3. **The Role of a Priest** - If a prophet represents God to people, then a priest represents people to God. In the Old Testament a priest would turn his back to the people and mediate for them before God. *A husband is to be the family priest*. He represents his

wife and children to God. He spends time in prayer each day remembering the needs and concerns of his wife. He prays for the salvation of his children.

Men, you are the priest of your home. Let's take a lamb for our homes. We have a God ordained responsibility to lead our families in the paths of righteousness. Let's get a hold of the lamb and let's lead!

Calvin Grimm, Pastor

Prayer Focus During This Coronavirus Pandemic:

- Health and safety of our families
- Protection and strength for healthcare workers and those on the frontlines
- President Trump and our national and local government leaders that they would have the wisdom to make the correct decisions
- Those that are sick, that the Lord would heal them
- Peace during these times of anxiety, fear, and stress
- Financial blessings for those who have lost their jobs
- The elderly, children, and those most vulnerable to the virus
- Homes of our church families - that our needs would be met and there will be love, peace and happiness in our homes during these days of quarantine
- Revival in our community and across the world - that people's hearts will be turned toward God, that they will hunger for the Lord and obey the plan of salvation
- Our pastor and ministry team that they would know best how to lead the church during this time
- The safety and health of our missionaries across the globe



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