

Storm Preparation
(The Series - Part 4)

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The Storm Preparation Series

- **The Storm: The Days After (Luke 8)**
 - Doing Good after the storm
- **A Life Built Wisely (Mat 7)**
 - Know the word. Practice it.
- **Back to the Basics: Food & Clothing (Mat 6)**
- **Being Prepared: Filled With the Lamb (Ex 11-12)**
- **Learning from History**
- **Are we prepared**

Intro:

■ Last Week's Events

- Urgency since Sept 26
 - Been sharing @ work
 - May have some stability before collapse
- Not a message of gloom & doom
- Dow Jones
- Brooklyn & GG Bridges
- Last Night's 3rd heaven prayer meeting

Many Will Not Preach This

Ez 33:6

- **6 But if the watchman sees the sword coming and does not blow the trumpet to warn the people and the sword comes and takes the life of one of them, that man will be taken away because of his sin, but I will hold the watchman accountable for his blood.'**
- **What do you see in this passage?**

Going Back In Time

■ Moses

- Called to deliver Israelites
- Things got tougher before the harvest
- Remember Pharaoh & Israelites were not too impressed
- 10 Plagues
 - Blood, frogs, gnats, flies, livestock
 - Boils, hail, locusts, darkness, and 1st born

Not till the 7th plague

Ex 9:18-21 (Hail)

- Therefore, at this time tomorrow I will send the worst hailstorm that has ever fallen on Egypt, from the day it was founded till now. 19 Give an order now to bring your livestock and everything you have in the field to a place of shelter, because the hail will fall on every man and animal that has not been brought in and is still out in the field, and they will die.' " **20 Those officials of Pharaoh who feared the word of the LORD hurried to bring their slaves and their livestock inside.** 21 But those who ignored the word of the LORD left their slaves and livestock in the field.
- Time to absorb
- There is a timing when people's heart will be ready
 - 10th plague

Here's What's Coming

Ex 11

- **1** Now the LORD had said to Moses, "I will bring **one more plague** on Pharaoh and on Egypt. After that, he will let you go from here, and when he does, he will drive you out completely. **2** Tell the people that men and women alike are to ask their neighbors for **articles of silver and gold.**" **3** (The LORD made the Egyptians favorably disposed toward the people,..
- **1st question – how do I invest**
- **For Lord not men (ie. Attitude of heart)**
- **Saturating heart vs. physical preparation**

Here's What's Coming

Ex 11

- 4 So Moses said, "This is what the LORD says: **'About midnight I will go throughout Egypt. 5 Every firstborn son in Egypt will die, from the firstborn son of Pharaoh, who sits on the throne, to the firstborn son of the slave girl, who is at her hand mill, and all the firstborn of the cattle as well. 6 There will be loud wailing throughout Egypt—worse than there has ever been or ever will be again. 7 But among the Israelites not a dog will bark at any man or animal.' Then you will know that the LORD makes a distinction between Egypt and Israel.**

Here's How to Prepare

Ex 12

- **1 The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt,**
2 "This month is to be for you the first month,
the first month of your year. 3 Tell the whole
community of Israel that on the tenth day of
this month each man is to take a lamb for his
family, one for each household.
- **Prepare whole community**
- **Each family is to have a lamb**
- **You need a lamb**

Here's How to Prepare

Ex 12

- 4 If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. **You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat.**
- Assess where each person (including children) is at
- Why do you think God wants each to eat the lamb?
- Eat is "storing" food

Here's How to Prepare

Ex 12

- 5 The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats. 6 Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the people of the community of Israel **must slaughter them at twilight**. 7 Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs.
- 5 days to prepare
- On that day, twilight
- Cover by the blood

Here's How to Prepare

Ex 12

- **8 That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire,** along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. **9 Do not eat the meat raw or cooked in water, but roast it over the fire—head, legs and inner parts. 10 Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it. 11 This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste;** it is the LORD's Passover.
- **Note timing: slaughter, roast, eat**
- **Urgency**

Here's How to Prepare

Ex 12

- **12 "On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn—both men and animals—and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD. 13 The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt.**

- **What do you think the people are doing?**
 - Drinking? Working? Arguing about relationship? Walking in sin?
 - Covered by the blood, eating the lamb

Summary

- **It's going to get worse**
 - These things will happen
- **Are we prepared?**
 - **Covered by the blood?**
 - Community, friends, loved ones
 - **Eating the lamb?**
 - Everyone? Children?
 - Saturating our hearts & mind or "walking in sin"
 - **Urgency?**
 - Taking easy?
 - One month vs. one year?
 - House in order?

Prayer

- **What in this message spoke to you today?**
- **Which of the 3 areas are you struggling with:**
 - **Covered by the Blood of Christ**
 - **Eating & Saturating in His Word**
 - **Is there an urgency in my heart?**
- **Pray for one another.**