

lamb had to be perfect, no blemishes, no flaws. It was to be inspected carefully before the sacrifice could be made, just as Jesus was carefully examined during the days leading up to the slaughter. Remember the blood-stained doors, and the salvation of every firstborn son. Remember the blood-stained doors. We are a community of firstborn sons (see Hebrews 12:23) who have been spared death.

Imagine yourself in the scene on the day when the Eternal Passover Lamb died, when darkness descended on the land, when the earth shook, when the thick veil of the Temple ripped open from top to bottom, when graves were opened and some who had lived holy lives were resurrected and made their appearance.

Eat unleavened bread to symbolize the readiness with which we are to live, ready to depart at any moment with no time left even for the bread to rise. Get the Passover wine, the cup Yeshua took with His small band of closest friends. Remember and celebrate your own exodus from slavery. Tell His story and tell your own stories. And be sure to take time to look at the moon. It is a night of remembrance.

If you would like a more elaborate celebration together, you may want to get a “Hagaddah” (the telling) and have your own home “Seder” (order).

For those of you who would like a larger congregational meal of remembrance together, Caleb Company and Kol Dodi (Ken Alpren is their ‘pastor’) are co-hosting a Passover Seder in the Belmont Church fellowship hall. Thursday evening April 9, 2009 at 6:00PM. Cost will be \$25.00 per adult, \$15.00 Age 10-14; \$7.50 Age 5-9, 0-5 no charge..... Call 615-256-2123, extension 224, for reservations or purchase tickets at one of the Belmont assemblies or through Kol Dodi.