



Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September – Exodus 12:1-14 - Passover

**Read:** Exodus 12:1-14

When he was a baby Moses was placed in a reed basket and floated down the river. The Pharaoh had made a decree that all baby boys must be killed. Moses' mother did not want that to happen, so she placed him in the river, where the Pharaoh's daughter found him and decided to rescue him. Moses grew up in the palace and was happy until he learnt what was happening to the Israelites. He saw how badly they were being treated and was very angry – so angry that he murdered an Egyptian. He had no choice but to run away. Moses met God in very unusual circumstances – God spoke to him in a burning bush and told Moses that he would lead the Israelites out of Egypt with his help. God sent the plagues to Egypt to convince Pharaoh to let the Israelites leave but Pharaoh kept refusing. Our story today tells of the last plague, the worst plague – the plague of death. But as always God had a plan. If the Israelites followed his plan the angel of death would pass over their houses. All the Israelites do as God instructed, they slaughter the animal, paint blood across their doors and wait. The angel passes by their houses. When the Pharaoh wakes to find his son dead he tells Moses to take his people and go! This was the first Passover, a festival which Jewish people still celebrate today.

**Watch:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1lwMt-KLkSE> (Crossroad Kids)

Why did Pharaoh not want the Israelites to leave? How did the angel know which houses to pass over? What way did the Israelites eat their meal? Why is Passover still celebrated today?

**Do:** Colouring Page - <http://www.getcoloringpages.com/coloring/94745>

Wordsearch - [https://sermons4kids.com/first\\_passover\\_wordsearch.htm?fromSermonId=18](https://sermons4kids.com/first_passover_wordsearch.htm?fromSermonId=18)

Decoder - [https://sermons4kids.com/first\\_passover\\_decoder.htm?fromSermonId=18](https://sermons4kids.com/first_passover_decoder.htm?fromSermonId=18)

**Pray:** God, thank you for the story of the first Passover and the reminder that Jesus died on the cross for our sins. Amen

Father in heaven watch over our loved ones.

Keep them by your side.

May they be safe and peaceful, in you may they abide.

Give wisdom to the doctors and nurses too we pray,  
renew their strength and bless them for the work they do each day.

Send healing and restoration and let them feel your love.

May your Holy Spirit give them rest as gentle as a dove. Amen (taken from Praying Together)

**Share:**

As we start a new school year take time to pray for your school, the teachers, and staff, and all your classmates. Use the prayer below to help.

Father at the start of another school year we thank you for our school.

We ask that you bless the children and the teachers and everyone who helps our school to be the best that it can be.

Be with us, we pray, in the year ahead.

Guide us and watch over us so that in everything that we do we will show your love to one another, bring your light to the world and grow, day by day, into the knowledge that you give to us.

We ask all this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen (taken from Praying Together)