

VV STUDY NOTES: 1st May 2021

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Passover & Cleansing of the Sanctuary

John 2: 13-25; (Isa 11:1-5)

The 3 synoptic gospels only refer to one of the Jewish Festivals during the life of Jesus. Matthew & Mark identify the Passover at the time of the crucifixion. Luke does likewise, but also record the Passover when Jesus was 12yrs old. John identifies a variety of Jewish Festivals throughout the time of Christ's ministry. Without these, it would be impossible to accurately build a time framework for Christ's ministry.

John also identifies the raising of Lazarus from his tomb as the prime motivation for the plan to kill Jesus. The synoptic gospels do not record the raising of Lazarus.

Since the Passover is so important in Jewish history, I have provided an overview of all the references to it in Scripture.

Egypt to Canaan		Rest of OT	
Ex 12:11	PASSOVER	2 Ki 23:21	JOSHUA Renews the Covenant
Ex 12:21		2 Ki 23:22	
Ex 12:27	Purpose?	2 Ki 23:23	
Ex 12:43	Meaning?	2 Ch 30:1	HEZEKIA 2 Ch 29 & 30 Purifies the Temple Focus on Passover
Ex 12:48		2 Ch 30:2	
Ex 34:25	Remembrance?	2 Ch 30:5	
Le 23:5		2 Ch 30:15	
Nu 9:2	Significance of Lamb?	2 Ch 30:17	
Nu 9:4		2 Ch 30:18	
Nu 9:6		2 Ch 35:1	JOSHUA 2 Ch 35:1-27 False worship destroyed Temple Cleansed Covenant Renewed Passover Reinstated What important fact is not listed here?
Nu 9:10		2 Ch 35:6	
Nu 9:12		2 Ch 35:7	
Nu 9:13		2 Ch 35:8	
Nu 9:14		2 Ch 35:9	
Nu 28:16		2 Ch 35:11	
Nu 33:3		2 Ch 35:13	
Dt 16:1		2 Ch 35:16	
Dt 16:2	2 Ch 35:17		
Dt 16:5	2 Ch 35:18	JOSHUA DIES WHY?	
Dt 16:6	2 Ch 35:19		
Jos 5:10		Ezr 6:19	TEMPLE Rebuilt after Exile
Jos 5:11		Ezr 6:20	Worship & Passover renewed
		Eze 45:21	Exile in Babylon 70yrs Exe 40 -48 Ezekiel's Visions in 25 th year Passover in Eze 45:21

The number of references in the OT is surprisingly small. The NT contains over 33% of all the bible passages.

It would be a good idea to look at these outlines, check out the references as you deem fit and try to come up with your own response to the items posing a QUESTION.

All NT		
Mt 26:2 Mt 26:17 Mt 26:18 Mt 26:19	Passover Temple Cleansed Plot to kill Jesus CROSS	THE SYNOPTIC GOSPELS All use the cleansing of the Temple as the prime reason for the Jewish Leaders wanting to kill Jesus
Mk 14:1 Mk 14:12 Mk 14:14 Mk 14:16	Passover Temple Cleansed Plot to kill Jesus CROSS	The disciples went with Jesus when he raised Lazarus, but failed to realize how significant it was
Lk 2:41	Jesus (12yrs old)	
Lk 22:1 Lk 22:7 Lk 22:8 Lk 22:11 Lk 22:13 Lk 22:15	Passover Temple Cleansed Plot to kill Jesus CROSS	Does this demonstrate the level of confusion they were in during this time?
Jn 2:13 Jn 2:23 Jn 4:45	Passover Temple Cleansed Impact ?	GOSPEL OF JOHN John records that Jesus cleansed the Temple at this Passover.
Jn 6:4	Passover(Time)	Could he have done it twice?
Jn 11:55 Jn 12:1 Jn 13:1		Or did he deliberately relocate the incident?
Jn 18:28 Jn 18:39 Jn 19:14		ONLY JOHN records the raising of Lazarus after 4 days in the tomb. He also believes it was the PRIME REASON for wanting to kill Jesus.
Acts 12:4		Peter delivered from Prison
1 Co 5:7		Paul ... Jesus is Passover Lamb
Heb 11:28		Moses kept Passover by FAITH

Questions

About the Jerusalem Temple

- What part of the Temple was used for the market & money-changer stalls?
- Was Jesus justified in the intensity of his reaction?
- Why did he accuse them of making the Temple into a “Den of Robbers”?
- Did the Temple Ministry have any credibility left?
- Can you see any connection to wedding in Cana?

Jesus was asked for a sign to prove his authority: Jn 2: 18-22.

- Was Jesus claiming that he was the Temple?
- If he was, when did he become the Temple?
- At the cross was the sacrifice of Jesus for sin “Once for all”?
- What is the difference between the Earthly temple, and the Heavenly Sanctuary?

John portrays that Jesus was not overawed by the reactions to his power: Jn 2: 23-24

- What do you think about John’s comments about Jesus’ lack of enthusiasm for human affirmation?
- Can you see any connection to Isa 11:1-5, and particularly verse 4?
- Does it have any bearing on the instruction we have been given about judging others?