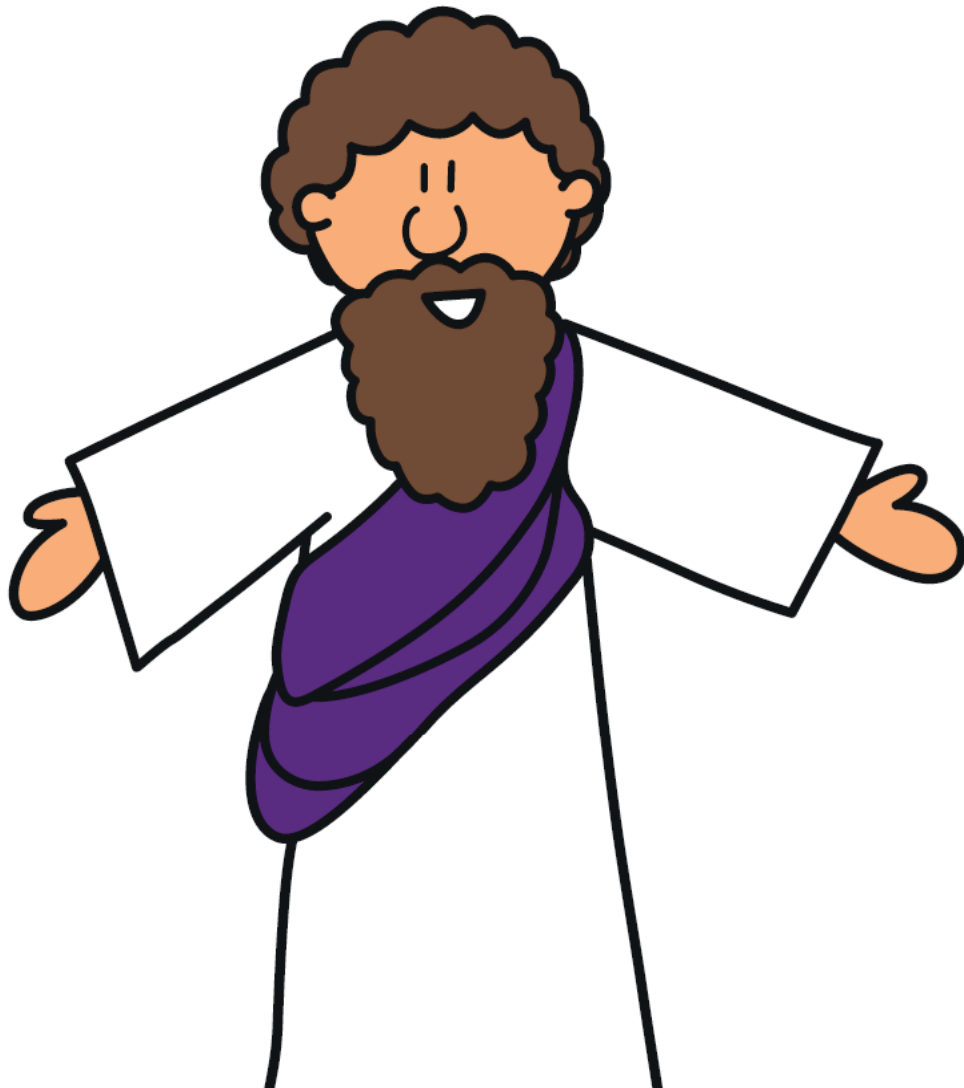


God's Promise and the Passover



The Israelites were miserable.

They had become slaves in Egypt, and they were being treated harshly.

They cried out to God.



On hearing the cry of his people
God spoke to Moses and said, "I am
sending you to Pharoah, the king of
Egypt. Tell him to let my people go."

But when Moses went to Pharoah, the
king hardened his heart and would not
let God's people go.



The LORD God again spoke to Moses and said, "Tell all the people of Israel to take a lamb without defect and to kill it. They are to take some of its blood and put it on the doorframes of their houses. That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. Eat quickly; it is the LORD's Passover."



God continued, "On that same night I will pass through and bring judgement on Egypt. The blood on your front doors will be a mark, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. Nothing bad will touch you. And for generations to come, you are to celebrate this as the day I brought you out of Egypt."



That night as the LORD passed through Egypt, loud crying was heard from the Egyptian homes.

Pharoah called for Moses and said,
"Leave my people. Go and worship the LORD as you have asked."

Hurriedly taking their belongings, along with flat bread made without yeast, Moses and the Israelites left Egypt.

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