

Exegetical Notes, Numbers 28:16-25
“God's Salvation, Passover”

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Verse 16

“On the fourteenth day of the first month the LORD’s Passover is to be held.

- The story of the Passover is found in Exodus 12:15-20. It is the story of God's gracious act to save Israel from continued slavery in Egypt. When the angel of death passed through Egypt at God's command killing all of the first born in Egypt, the Hebrews were told to slay a spotless lamb and to sprinkle the blood of the lamb on the lintel and door posts of their houses. The blood of the lamb was a sign to the angel of death that those who were in that house were under God's protection. Thus, the angel passed over that house, and those inside were spared the judgment of God.
- Each year on the 14th day of the first month of the year, Israel was to remember this saving act.

Verses 17- 25

On the fifteenth day of this month there is to be a festival; for seven days eat bread made without yeast.¹⁸ On the first day hold a sacred assembly and do no regular work.¹⁹ Present to the LORD a food offering consisting of a burnt offering of two young bulls, one ram and seven male lambs a year old, all without defect.²⁰ With each bull offer a grain offering of three-tenths of an ephah of the finest flour mixed with oil; with the ram, two-tenths;²¹ and with each of the seven lambs, one-tenth.²² Include one male goat as a sin offering to make atonement for you.²³ Offer these in addition to the regular morning burnt offering.²⁴ In this way present the food offering every day for seven days as an aroma pleasing to the LORD; it is to be offered in addition to the regular burnt offering and its drink offering.²⁵ On the seventh day hold a sacred assembly and do no regular work.

- These verses describe the way the Israelites were to celebrate Passover. 1. They were to eat bread without yeast for seven days. Yeast is a symbol for sin. 2. On the first of the seven days, the 14th day of the first month, there was to be an assembly, and all members of the community were not to work. 3. For seven days they were to present the prescribed offerings to the Lord in

addition to the regular offerings for the day (see verses 1-15). 4. On the seventh day there was to be another assembly and the people were not to work.

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