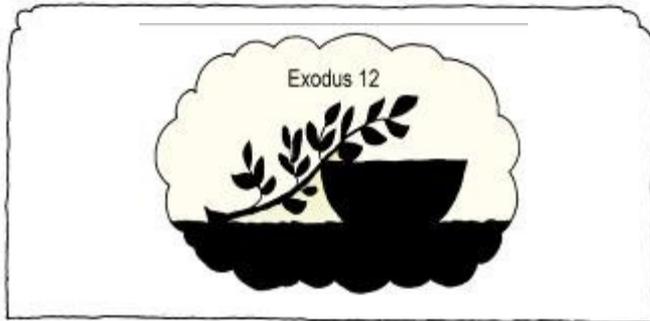


THE Passover

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Pharaoh would not let his slaves,
the children of Israel, go.
God did many miracles until
Pharaoh changed his mind.



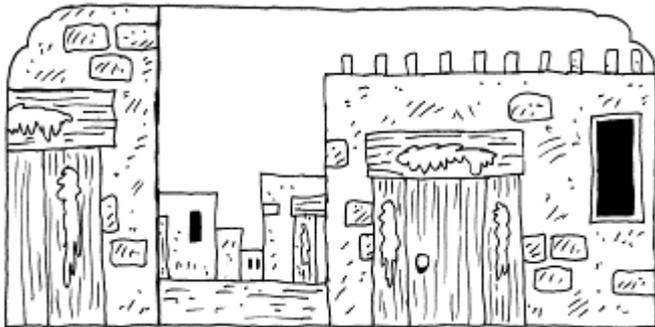
God told Moses, "Tonight every family of Israel
must eat a meal of roast lamb,
with herb sauce and flat bread.
This will be called the "Feast of the Pass Over.



Take a small branch and paint the
blood of the lamb around the door frame.
It will keep you safe from the sickness
I will send on the land," said God.



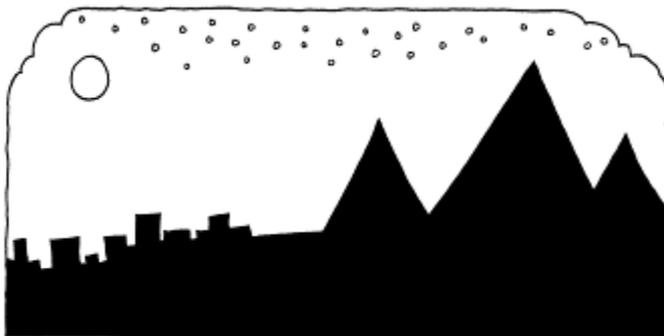
"Stay inside your house because
God's angel will pass through the city.
Pharaoh's people will get sick and die because
he will not listen and let God's people go.



But the people in the houses with the
blood of the lamb on the door frame
will not get sick, because
they are trusting and obeying God.



So the families of Israel did as God told Moses
and prayed that God would keep them safe.
Soon they would be free from Pharaoh
and go to a new land God had promised them.



That night the angel of God
passed over the city and even
Pharaoh's own boy got sick and died.
But God kept the families of Israel safe.



Since that time, God's people celebrate
the feast of the Pass Over and
thank God for saving His people.
Jesus did this too, with his friends.