

The Theme of the New Exodus and the New Passover Lamb
Theme Study in the Gospel of John

Israel's First Exodus	Israel's New Exodus
God delivers Israel in the Exodus from Egypt via the Passover lamb (Ex.12) and then God's Shekinah Glory appears and fills the Tabernacle to dwell among Israel (Ex.40:34 – 35)	This is John's summary statement of how Jesus is and provides a new exodus. The tabernacle was associated with the first exodus: And the Word became flesh, and dwelt (tabernacled) among us, and we saw his glory, glory (1:14) 'Behold, the Lamb of God, that takes away the sin of the world.' (1:29)
God says He is 'full of grace (lovingkindness) and truth' (Ex.34:6)	full of grace and truth... (1:14)
Moses 'sees God' but not God's face (Ex.33:20ff.)	No one has seen God at any time; the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, he has explained Him. (1:18)
Name of God: "I AM"	Name of Jesus: "I AM" – Ten times? (1) I am the bread of life (6:35). (2) I am the light of the world (8:12). (3) Before Abraham was, I am (8:58). (4) I am the door (10:7). (5) I am the good shepherd (10:11). (6) I am the resurrection and the life (11:25). (7) I am the way, the truth, and the life (14:6). (8) I am the true vine (15:1). (9) I am (18:5). (10) I told you that I am (18:8).
Ten Miracles of Death Un-Creating Egypt and Creating Israel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Miracle: Water to Blood • Last Miracle: Death of First Born Sons 	Seven Miracles of Life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Miracle: Water to Wine • Last Miracle: Raising of a First Born Son, Lazarus
Passover Lamb <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One lamb per household • Surrounded by bitter herbs • Bones not broken • Pierced 	Passover Lamb <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus is the Lamb of God for the world (Jn.1:29, 36) • At his death, Jesus is surrounded by three women all named Mary, meaning 'bitter' (Jn.19:25) • Bones not broken (Jn.19:33, 36) • He was pierced (Jn.19:34, 37)
Deliverance from Egypt <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blessing of Peace/Shalom 	Deliverance from Sin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blessing of Peace/Shalom (Jn.20:19, 21) • Forgiveness of Sins (Jn.20:22-23)
Identity as the Covenant Community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Israel becomes God's first-born adopted son (Ex.4:22) • New Family 	Identity as the New Covenant Community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Believers in Jesus are adopted by God (Jn.20:17) • New Family: John and Mary are now son and mother (Jn.19:26-27)

God made ten 'Let there be' declarations in Creation, establishing boundaries between light and darkness, land and water. In Exodus, God again made ten declarations on Egypt which reversed the Creational pattern: God *relaxed* the boundaries between light and darkness, land and water, ruler and subordinate. God established those boundaries in the Creation to establish order and life, but the plagues upon Egypt erased those boundaries. Ultimately, the watery demise of Pharaoh in the Red Sea also signaled the birth of Israel as a people through water, led by the Spirit. God brought Israel out of Egypt (un-creation) to inherit the garden land, like Adam and Eve inherited the original garden land, i.e. to be God's *new humanity*. When God exiled Israel like He exiled Adam and Eve, Israel hoped to be God's *new humanity* again, through a New Exodus and New Creation (e.g. Isa.40 – 55).