



## "New Year's Communion Service 2010" (Passover & The Feast of Unleavened Bread)

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\* Exodus 12:1-20; 23:15; 34:18; Deut. 16:1-8

\* Passover and The Feast of Unleavened Bread are inseparably linked. Passover now is fulfilled by the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. The Feast of Unleavened Bread is fulfilled in the purifying of sin from our lives immediately after we receive Jesus Christ as Savior & Lord.

\* Examples of this?

- I Peter 1: 22 Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth

- John 8: 10 Jesus straightened up and asked her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?"

11 "No one, sir," she said. "Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "Go now and leave your life of sin."

- John 5: 14 Later Jesus found him at the temple and said to him, "See, you are well again. Stop sinning or something worse may happen to you."

- I Peter 4:1-3; Rom.6:11-14

\* I Cor. 11:23-26 --- a regular memorial that helps me keep sin from ruling my life reminds me of my redemption from Egypt.

See John 13:1-10

It's amazing how things get dirty so quickly the house (esp. with kids!), the car, the body

The dirt of sin is referred to in the Bible as leaven/yeast. Leaven/yeast, if not purged, will spread and grow very rapidly

\* The types of leaven in the Bible:

1. Leaven of the Pharisees (Hypocrisy; Matt.16:6; Luke 12:1-3; Matthew 23:25-28).

\* I kept my pot hidden in my bass drum, my needles hidden in my jean jacket pocket. I tried to hide my red eyes with Visine

\* Heb.4: 13 Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

\* Gen.3: 9 But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?"  
10 He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid."  
11 And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"

\* Gen.3: 21 The LORD God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them.

\* God wants to clothe your nakedness today. Oh, you may have covered yourself, but that covering is inadequate. God sees your nakedness, and so do you. And he wants to clothe you with the sacrifice of the Lamb. But you need to come out of hiding. You need to confess and come clean

## 2. Leaven of Sadducees (Short-sighted living; Acts 23:8)

- I Cor.15: If the dead are not raised, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die."  
- II Peter 1: 8 For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
9 But if anyone does not have them, he is nearsighted and blind, and has forgotten that he has been cleansed from his past sins.

## 3. Leaven of Herod (power and glory; Mark 8:15; Acts 12:23)

- I John 2:15-17  
- The glory of becoming a sports star, rock star, movie star, business star will not last  
- Matthew 16: 26 What good will it be for a man if he gains the whole world, yet forfeits his soul? Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul?

## 4. Leaven of sin (I Cor.5:1-8)

- There are many sins that can so easily creep into our lives, but there is one that is pervasive in our society, and in the church, and that sin is sexual sin. It's time we repent of sexual sin. It's times we remove that leaven from our lives

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\* There are tremendous advantages to getting the leaven out of our lives I Cor.11 - many are weak and sick physical healing strength avoiding a premature death David - restore the joy of thy salvation

\* Won't you let God wash you with the blood of the Lamb? Some of us need to give our lives to Jesus Christ lead in salvation prayer some of us as Christians need a fresh foot washing