THE Passover

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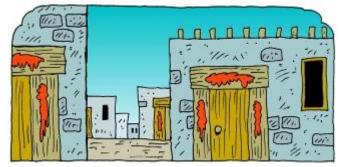
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Pharaoh would not let his slaves, the children of Israel, go. God did many miracles until Pharaoh changed his mind.



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.



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.



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.



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.



"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.



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.



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.