



EXODUS FOR KIDS



Have you ever noticed grownups tend to make a lot of rules when it comes to eating around a table? Can you think of a few rules you have been told at the dinner table? How about, "Don't stand up in your chair," "Don't chew with your mouth full," "No toys at the table," or, "Ask to be excused before you get down. "

Do you know why there are table rules? It's because meals are not just about food, meals are about something greater! Meals are about sharing life with others around a table. So these various rules are designed to help you fellowship and connect, rather than just eat and run.

Did you know God uses meals in the Bible to connect people to Him? The first meal we see is called, the Passover, in Exodus 12. It was a meal to celebrate and remember God's great rescue of Israel from Egypt through the death of a lamb. God's people were to eat, remember, and praise God for His salvation.

In the New Testament, Jesus shared this very meal with His friends, but instead of remembering God's salvation in the past, Jesus used the meal to point to God's future salvation that He was going to accomplish through His own death on the cross.

On that day, Jesus took the bread and said, "...this is my body, "and He took the cup and said, "...this is my blood. " By doing this, He was saying, "I am the true lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world."

So this past Sunday at church, we all gathered and shared this meal together and thanked Jesus for His sacrifice on the cross for our sins. And do you know what's really cool? Jesus said He would not eat this meal again until He eats it with all of us in His Father's Kingdom! So one day in the future, we are going to get to eat and fellowship with Jesus around His table! Can you imagine how cool that will be? I don't know about you, but I can't wait!