

Church of God Big Sandy

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March 27, 2021 • 1:00 p.m. • Sunset 7:35

Bible studies

Interactive study—1:00	Mardy Cobb
Presentation study—2:00	Dave Havir
-	(Also transmitted live)

Order of service—3:00 p.m.

Song leader	Neil Mclver
Pianist	Dixon Cartwright
Scripture reading	Ephesians 2:4–10
Sermon	Mardy Cobb

Quick takes

- 1. Thank you—Thank you to all who served in the building last night at the Memorial of the Suffering and Death of the Son of God. (We hope that those of you who observed the memorial at home had an uplifting evening.)
- 2. Passover Lamb was killed today at 3:00—With our congregation picturing the Memorial of the Suffering and Death of the Son of God last night, today pictures the Lamb of God dying at 3:00 p.m. We don't normally have a church service at the time this event is pictured. This is a great opportunity to thank God for our Passover Lamb.
- 3. Traditional meal—Tonight at 6:00.
 - Traditional meal depicting deliverance from Egypt
 - Meal in the building—starts at 6:00 p.m.
- 4. First day of Unleavened Bread-Tomorrow
 - Noon—Interactive study by Mardy Cobb
 - 1:00—Presentation study by Dave Havir
 - Live transmission—1:00 and 2:00
 - 2:00—Church service with sermon by Mardy Cobb
- 5. Wednesday-night Bible study on March 31 at 7:00.

- 6. Seventh day of Unleavened Bread—Saturday, April 3
 - 1:00 Interactive study
 - 2:00—Presentation study by Dave Havir
 - Live transmission—2:00 and 3:00
 - 3:00—Church service with sermon by Reg Killingley
 - 4:00—Potluck meal
- 7. Edifying the Body—This week's article is "Three Days and Three Nights in New Testament" by Dave Havir.
- 8. Among Friends—This week's article is "Passover Lamb Died at 3:00 P.M." by Dave Havir.
- Eye on the World—Due to a busy schedule, there is no "Eye on the World" this week.

Prayer updates

Please remember to pray for the following people who live at home but are not able to regularly attend our church service—Sonny Rosenberger, Laura Moran, David Bonilla, Annette Payne, Ronnie Shirley and Timberly Dunnam.

Please remember to pray for the following people who are rehabbing at Legend Oaks Nursing Home in Gladewater—**Ron Feaker, Elaine Holloway** and **Donna Weese.**

Following is an update from **Becky Bonilla** following her rotator-cuff surgery on March 18. **"Dr. Stein** said the surgery went great. Nerve block helped. There is a follow-up visit on March 30 before rehab for four to six weeks. Getting better every day. Thank you for the prayers. God does take care of us. Love, appreciate and miss all of you."

On Tuesday, **Laura Moran** went to the doctor. As you might remember, she has been trying to gain weight. On this visit, she learned that she lost a little more weight.

New prayer requests

A family in Ottawa, Ont., Canada had twin sons. **Aaron** is doing well, but **Caleb** is dealing with bradycardia (slow heart rate) and desat (a drop in oxygen level).

On Sunday, **Leon Avery** of Tulsa, Okla., went to a hospital where he was diagnosed with problems with his spine. The doctors began a series of spinal reconstructions.

On Wednesday, **Tom McMurray** of Tulsa, Okla., went to an ER due to extensive pain in his arm and chest.

George Curry of Blue Springs, Mo., died on March 21. Please remember his wife, **Ruby**, and the rest of the family in your prayers.

Pam Sutcliffe of Antioch, Calif., died on March 22. Please remember her family in your prayers.

"Passover Lamb Died at 3:00 P.M."

This article is from the "Among Friends" section of the Church of God Big Sandy's website, churchofgodbigsandy.com. It was posted for the weekend of March 27, 2021.

By Dave Havir

B IG SANDY, Texas—One of the greatest truths in the Bible is that the Son of God is our Passover.

1 Corinthians 5:7—"Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us."

With that in mind, I want to show scriptures that remind us that the Passover Lamb died at 3:00 p.m.

Before we review the actual time of the death of the Son of God, let's quickly notice the day on which He died.

Here is the day

Are you aware that the Son of God died on a Wednesday? Notice a few biblical tidbits.

Luke 23:50-54—"Now behold, there was a man named Joseph, a council member, a good and just man. He had not consented to their decision and deed. He was from Arimathea, a city of the Jews, who himself was also waiting for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a tomb that was hewn out of the rock, where no one had ever lain before. That day [Wednesday] was the Preparation, and the [annual] Sabbath drew near."

John 19:31—"Therefore, because it was the Preparation Day, that the bodies should not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away."

Luke 23:56—"Then they returned and prepared spices and fragrant oils. And they rested on the [weekly] Sabbath according to the commandment."

The "Sabbath" mentioned in Luke 23:54 was a "high day" Sabbath (on a Thursday), and the Sabbath mentioned in Luke 23:56 was a weekly Sabbath (on a Saturday).

Here is the time

1 Corinthians 11:23-26—"For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to

you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, 'Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me.' In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes."

The symbols involving the memorial of the suffering and death of the Lamb were given on the night He was betrayed.

Mark 14:32—"Then they came to a place which was named Gethsemane; and He said to His disciples, 'Sit here while I pray.'"

Mark 14:43-46—"And immediately, while He was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, with a great multitude with swords and clubs, came from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders. Now His betrayer had given them a signal, saying, 'Whomever I kiss, He is the One; seize Him and lead Him away safely.' As soon as He had come, immediately he went up to Him and said to Him, 'Rabbi, Rabbi!' and kissed Him. Then they laid their hands on Him and took Him."

Mark 15:1—"Immediately, in the morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council; and they bound Jesus, led Him away, and delivered Him to Pilate."

Mark 15:25—"Now it was the third hour [9:00 a.m.], and they crucified Him."

John 19:14—"Now it was the Preparation Day of the Passover, and about the sixth hour [noon]. And he said to the Jews, 'Behold your King!"

Mark 15:33—"Now when the sixth hour [noon] had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour [3:00 p.m.]."

Mark 15:34—"And at the ninth hour [3:00 p.m.] Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, 'Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?' which is translated, '*My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?*"

Saved by grace

Before the Memorial of the Suffering and Death of Christ, we focused upon God's grace.

- Ephesians 2:8-9—saved by grace
- Titus 3:4-7—justified by His grace

Reaction to grace

After the Memorial of the Suffering and Death of Christ (as we observe the Days of Unleavened Bread), we focus upon our Father's expectations of us.

- Ephesians 2:10—since saved, good works
- Titus 3:8—since justified, good works
- Exodus 20:1-17—since delivered, Ten Commandments
- Matthew 19:17-19—keep the Commandments
- Matthew 19:20-21—give to the poor
- Matthew 22:36-40—two great Commandments
- Romans 6:1-2—since saved by grace, should we sin?
- Romans 6:3—baptized into Christ's death
- Romans 6:4-5—likeness of His death and of His resurrection
- Romans 12:1—become a living sacrifice
- Romans 12:2—transformed by the renewing of the mind
- Romans 12:9-21—many positive characteristics
- 1 Corinthians 10:5-11—five sins in the wilderness
- Galatians 5:19-21—avoid works of the flesh
- Galatians 5:22-23—reflect fruit of the Spirit
- Colossians 3:1-2—seek those things that are above
- James 1:26—bridle the tongue
- James 1:27—visit the fatherless and widow
- Matthew 5:14-16—good works to glorify the Father
- 1 Peter 2:11-12—good works to glorify God

Three biblical definitions of sin

- 1 John 3:4—based on the law
- James 4:17—based on what we know
- Romans 14:23—based on faith

Three reasons why we obey

- To avoid consequences
- To receive recompense later
- To glorify our Father

Ezekiel 33:10-11 Luke 14:12-14 Matthew 5:14-16