

Title: The First Lord's Supper

Text: (Matt 26:26-28)

The Prophecy of Christ's Betrayal & Death: 26:1-2
(John 6:70-71)

The Priest's Scheming Session: (Matt 26:3-5)

The Provocation in Bethany: (Matt 26:6-13)
(Vs 6-9) - (Judas' Greed) (John 12:1-6)
(Vs 10-13) - (Judas' Offence)

The Possession of Judas - Judas has had enough.
(Vs 14-16)
(Ps 41:9) *Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against me.*

(Luke 22:1-6) Satan Enters him? How?
Opened himself up to Satan though Bitterness.

(John 6:71) Judas' father was a leper!
Judas was raised in poverty, His family was poor
Judas allowed childhood/poverty to affect his integrity

Judas allowed his situation, to develop into coveting:
Coveting their childhood,
Coveting their apparent happiness.
Coveting their popularity.
Coveting their wealth - into a root of Bitterness.

Covetousness opens Us to Satan's working in our life.
You think THAT only happens to the filthy people,
or the really bad people?

NO! Satan uses our bitterness to control us.

It happens to Normal people who won't ...

Trust God to heal the pain of their memories.

Trust God to Right a Wrong as they see fit: (Ro 12:19)

Trust God & Forgive the offender.

Releasing the Offender from the debt owed them
for the hurts inflicted upon them.

Trust God to Use for their Good. (Rom 8:28-29)

The Preparation for the Passover: (Matt 26:17-19)

This Lamb is a Picture & Prophecy of Christ

Commemoration of their Deliverance from bondage in Egypt.

Explain the 10th Plague,

The Death of the 1st Born Child

The Substitutionary Lamb

Also Seen in Gen 3: with Adam and Eve

Gen 22:7-8,13-14 Abraham, Isaac, and the Ram
caught in a thicket

***It was taking place at the Passover, because Jesus is
the Complete Fulfillment of the Passover!***

(Jn 1:29, 35-36) John was bringing a new perspective
Not a Lamb, but a Man! (Is 53)

Israel was very acquainted with the Passover Lamb.

Illus: The Rabbis of Jerusalem started to raise lambs in the fields of Boaz outside of Bethlehem. The Shepherds we hear about at Christmas were tending Passover Lambs.

They were brought in to Jerusalem on the 10th day of the month to be examined by the priests. At the Time of Christ, His triumphal entry, Palm Sunday, was the same day the Lambs came in.

Much of the Gospel writings involve the last week of Christ's life. He was presenting Himself for the scrutiny of the Priests, Saducees, Pilate, No Fault Found!

On the 14th day of that month, as the Levites were lifting the heads & slitting the throats of those little Passover lambs, God's Passover Lamb was dying on the cross of Calvary. He hung their bleeding, He cried "IT IS FINISHED"!

(1 Cor 5:7) For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:

Passover Lamb was a Picture/Prophecy of Christ

The Preparation for the Passover:

The Prosecution of Judas: (Matt 26:21-25)

(John 13:21-30) Judas leaves before the Lord's Supper is instituted.

The Presentation of the Lord's Supper (Mat 26:26)

A. Bread-(Matt 26:26) Unleavened=Sinless

What is the Significance of this?

*(Luke 22:19) And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, **This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me.***

Bread = Symbolized his sinless Body

Broken = Persecuted & slain body of Christ

(Jn 6:31,33,35,41,48, 51) Jesus is the True Bread Bread sustains life, He is the Bread of Life!

B. Cup- (Matt 26:27) Cup Speaks of His Death

(Matt 20:22-23) Jesus asks if James/John are willing to drink?

Are ye able to drink of the CUP that I shall drink of, Ye shall drink indeed of my CUP, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with:

C. Drink-(Matt 26:27b-28) Drink ye all of it; For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

Drink = Symbolizes His Blood of the NT

(Luke 22:20) Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.

What's in the cup: Fruit of the Vine: (Matt 26:29) Symbolizes His Blood.

(Lev17:11) The Blood Speaks of Life
For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.

Condemns the Evils of Beverage Alcohol.

(Prov 23:29-32; Is 28:7).

There is more Scripture condemning the use of Beverage Alcohol than will be found on the subjects of lying, adultery, swearing, cheating, hypocrisy, pride, or even blasphemy.

Illus: I quit counting at 75 verses.

Why would He then use it as a symbol of His uncorrupted Blood

The Prophecy of Offense: (Matt 26:30-35)

Why was this going to happen?

Because Everything was about them.

Their reason for being a disciple was about

Themselves, not the Lord.

The Reason for following, serving, etc, was that they had made it totally about themselves.

Is that what your relationship with God is about?

Be honest. Is it all about you? Or God?

For Your Glory, or God's Glory?

For Your praise, or His Praise?

For His Glory, or Your Convenience?

The Crucifixion was very inconvenient for Christ

Illus: The preaching of Christ went against the Traditions of the Father's which they were forced to memorize & follow their entire life!

Warning: The Bible will Mess up your Theology!

It's the Lord's Supper, Its Not YOUR's:

Its about JESUS, Its NOT About YOU!

It's the Lords Supper, He Chooses the Menu:

(1 Cor 11:2)

When you are guest at someone's table, you don't get to choose the menu. You are guest.

Unleavened Bread, Unfermented Grape Juice.

It's the Lord's Supper, He chooses the Guests!

Who did Jesus Invite?

(Matt 26:20) *Sat down with the twelve*

(Mk 14:17; Lk 22:14)

Illus: Where was His mother? Mary Magdelene,

Where were the 120 he sent out 2x2?

Where was the Home Owner?

We have to remember that the Lord's Supper was given to the Church, it is a church ordinance & not a Christian ordinance.

The Lord's Supper is to be observed *in the church, by the church members* who have put leaven out of their lives.

(1 Cor 11:18, 20, 33) Example of Paul.

(1 Cor 5:7) *Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:*

Illus: Well Preacher I don't agree with that.

*Unfaithful members partake, "Yes, At their Own Risk
2 Issues at stake, Sin(Pride) & Membership
Doesn't make either of you right with God!*

You will stand before God b/c my decision, I will:
You will stand God over your obedience: (Heb 13:17)

It's the Lord's Supper, He Chooses the Purpose:

It's a time of Commemoration: (1 Cor 11:24-25)

"This do In remembrance of Me"

We remember the Price of deliverance: His Blood

We remember the Method of our deliverance:

He was denied by his friends and deserted.

Unjustly accused, lied about, & tried with out a cause.

Beaten unrecognizable, *"Visage was Marred"*!

He had the beard ripped from his face.

He was whipped with a cat of 9 tails.

He had Thorns pressed into his brow.

Beaten with Rods. Spit on, and Mocked.

Carried His cross up the Via Delarosa, The way of Suffering.

Nailed to a cross, Mocked by those who hung next to him.

Fed vinegar, and died. - Laid in a borrowed tomb.

Many times and in many places people partake of the Lord's Supper, **but never once does their mind go back to Calvary!**

ITS JUST A RITUAL!

It's the Lord's Supper, He Chooses the Purpose:

It's a Time of Appreciation: (1 Cor 11:24) *"given thanks"*

Are you thankful for His Sacrifice?

Are you thankful for His Undeserved Forgiveness?

Are you thankful for His Undeserved Grace?

The Lord's Supper is a visual sermon of Thanksgiving

It's a Time of Proclamation: (1 Cor 11:26)

The Lord's Supper is a Visual Sermon of the Gospel.

"Show His Death"

It's a Time of Examination: (1 Cor 11:27-31)

The Lord's Supper is a Visual Sermon of Sanctification.

It's a Time of Consideration: (1 Cor 11:33)

Jesus Loves the person in front, beside, behind, next to you.

It's a Time of Anticipation: (1 Cor 11:26b)

“Till he Come”

He is Coming again!

(Jn14:1-3) He said so

(Acts 1:10-11) Angels

The Lord's Supper is a visual Sermon of the Second Coming.