LifeBridge BAPTIST CHURCH

Worship Service
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The Passion of Christ

Lesson Two • Matthew 26:17-30

At the Table with Jesus

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Throughout His ministry Jesus gathers at the TABLE to share a meal with people.

And as Jesus reclined at the table in the house [Matthew's], behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and His disciples. And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to His disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" Matthew 9:10-11

Now when Jesus was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, a woman came up to Him with an alabaster flask of very expensive ointment, and she poured it on His head as He reclined at the table. Matthew 26:6-7

When it was evening, He reclined at the table with the twelve. And as they were eating... Matthew 26:20-21

The Significance of This Table

At the Passover meal Jesus showed how God's past deliverance POINTED to the ultimate deliverance that He was about to bring through His death and resurrection.

At the Table with Jesus

1. Jesus Experiences the LAST PASSOVER! *Vs. 17-25*

The Last Passover

- Jesus SETS the time and place for the Passover meal. *Vs. 17-19*
- Jesus SHARES the Passover meal with His disciples. *Vs. 20*
- Jesus SHOCKS His disciples by announcing and denouncing His betrayer. *Vs. 21-25*

2. Jesus Establishes the LORD'S SUPPER! *Vs. 26-30*

The Lord's Supper

- Jesus offers the BREAD. *Vs. 26*
- Jesus offers the CUP. *Vs. 27-29*
- Jesus offers PRAISE. *Vs. 30*

How Should We Approach the Lord's Table Today?

- Look INWARD in self-examination of our lives.

  Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. 1Corinthians 11:27-28

- Look BACKWARDS in remembrance of Christ's death.

  For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when He was betrayed took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and said, "This is My body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." 1Corinthians 11:23-25

- Look FORWARD in anticipation of Christ's return.

  For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. 1Corinthians 11:26

Come to the Lord's Table

Celebrating Christ's Passion for You on the Cross

Followers of Jesus Christ (those who trust Christ for salvation and identify with Christ in baptism and commit to Christ's body in membership of a local church of like faith) are invited to participate in Communion located at the four tables in the auditorium. You may take the bread and cup back to your seat to eat and drink. The bread and juice represent the body and blood of Jesus when He died on the Cross and reminds us who our Lord is, what He has done for us, is doing for us, and will yet do for us when He returns. Come, Lord Jesus, come!