

The Lord's Supper

Matthew 26:17-30, Jesus celebrates the Passover with the Disciples.

Grow Deeper In God's Word

1. What did Jesus know would happen to Him soon? See verse 21.
2. Even with the knowledge, what did Jesus do with the disciples?
3. Contrast Jesus' actions with your own when we've been betrayed or hurt by a friend. Afterward do we want to talk with the friend, much less eat with him or her? In what way is the Lord's Supper a meal of oneness for us, despite our differences?
4. What does Jesus announce He's giving through this supper? See verses 26-28.
5. Read 1 Corinthians 10:16. Besides bread and wine, what else is received according to these writings of Paul?
6. Explain in your own words why the Lord's Supper is so important, considering that Jesus comes in, with, and under the bread and wine with His very presence.
7. The Passover is a special Jewish festival to celebrate God's deliverance of Israel from Egypt. As Jesus celebrated this Passover meal with the disciples, He foreshadowed His death on the cross and gave new meaning to the bread and wine used in the meal. What deliverance do we celebrate in the Lord's Supper?

God's Word to Remember

Read the Bible verses listed. In the space below, re-write them in your own words.

1 Corinthians 10:16

John 15:5

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1. List two benefits of partaking in the Lord's Supper. See Matthew 26:28, Romans 8:10, Romans 8:31-32, and Colossians 1:22.
2. Read 1 Corinthians 10:17. What does eating of the "one loaf" symbolize?
3. What are all Christians proclaiming when they partake of the Lord's Supper? See 1 Corinthians 11:26.
4. Forgiveness, life, and salvation are offered through this Sacrament (Lord's Supper). What is required to receive these blessings?
5. Scripture shows us that our worship in heaven will center around Christ and His victory over sin and death. Find a scripture that speaks about Christ and this victory. Write it below.
6. Recall a special victory celebration when you helped to achieve the victory. How is the Lord's Supper an even greater celebration? What ultimate victory are we celebrating in the Lord's Supper?

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Matthew 26:28

1 Corinthians 10:17

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1. What kind of objection did Paul have with the way the Corinthians were participating in the Lord's Supper? See verses 17-22.
2. What kind of examination does Paul recommend we do before participating in the Lord's Supper?
3. Why do we have to examine ourselves when we are already Christians?
4. Think back on a past lesson about the "real presence" of Christ in the Lord's Supper. What does the phrase "without recognizing the body of the Lord" mean (verse 29)?
5. Why is it exciting to receive Jesus' real presence in the Lord's Supper?
6. What does verse 26 suggest regarding the frequency of taking Holy Communion?

7. In your own words, describe Jesus' desire to be present with you, even in your sin, and the effect that unconditional love of God has on your life.

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1 Corinthians 11:27

John 6:54