



The Lord's Supper Mk 14

March 24

OVERVIEW: [Mark](#)

[Harmony of the Events of Holy Week](#)

CONTEXT: It's almost Easter (Passover) and so it is most appropriate to consider one of the ordinances Jesus established for the New Covenant people of God: the Lord's Supper. Baptism is the ordinance/rite whereby the believer is identified with Christ and received into the Church. The Lord's Supper is for those received into the body to remember the fountainhead of their salvation and be spiritually nourished by faith. In so doing they profess their ongoing commitment to Christ and His Church (1 Cor 11). Tonight we turn to consider this great ordinance's biblical origin.

FIRST, A.M. SERMON RECAP (Mt 24–25)

- Why does our view of the future impact how we live today?
- How does one differentiate between what is a primary and a secondary belief about the end times? Why is this important to recognize. How does it help us have healthy and open conversations about this subject?
- Key points and takeaways...?
- What three lessons can we gather from the Parable of the Virgins and the Talents?

READ: Mk 14:12–21

QUESTIONS:

1. **Vv. 12–16- What strikes you about these verses? What tone do they set for all that would follow?**
2. How did Jesus' betrayal lead to Christ becoming the Passover lamb?
3. **Vv. 17–21- How is God's sovereignty and human responsibility both affirmed here?**

READ: Mk 14:22–25

QUESTIONS:

4. *Remember our LG on the subject of the Passover from 2020 [here](#). Jesus takes two important elements of the Passover (see Ex 12) and gives them new meaning and perpetual obligation: the bread and the cup.*
5. *One key element in the Passover meal was the unleavened bread, a reminder of the haste from which they fled Egypt. "Unleaven" was also associated with absence from sin and so a call to holiness.*
6. **When Jesus said, "Take, this is my body"...**
 1. What is He equating His body with? What would He soon do?
 2. What does it mean for us to take it? How do we seize hold of, access or participate in what Jesus has done? (Jn 6:55).
7. *Another key aspect was the cup, which symbolized the shed blood of the lamb causing God's wrath to pass over. In a Passover 5 cups came to be used. The third was the cup of redemption, the fifth left for the Messiah.*
8. **When Jesus said, "This is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for many"...**
 1. What is He equating His blood with?
 2. How did the blood offered in the OC and NC differ (Heb 9:12)?
 3. What does it mean for us to drink the cup?
9. **When believers remember/celebrate the Lord's Supper, what is the purpose or value of them obeying and participating in what Jesus' commanded? Why is this not to be neglected? (see [blog](#) on the frequency of the LS).**
10. *V. 25- Jesus was referring to the coming banquet in the New Heavens and New Earth when He makes all things right at the end of history (Mt 22).*
11. What confidence does Jesus show that His death won't be the end? Is this of any encouragement to us?
12. **How can we ensure we're not a wedding crasher (Mt 22:12–13)?**

NEXT TIME: March 31, Mt 27—Judas