

# Understanding the Lord's Supper

## **Genesis 3 - God's Perfect Creation Destroyed by Sin**

<sup>1</sup>Now the serpent was more crafty than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Indeed, has God said, 'You shall not eat from any tree of the garden'?"

<sup>2</sup>The woman said to the serpent, "From the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat; <sup>3</sup>but from the fruit of the tree which is in the middle of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat from it or touch it, or you will die.'"

<sup>4</sup>The serpent said to the woman, "You surely will not die!

<sup>5</sup>"For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

<sup>6</sup>When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was desirable to make one wise, she took from its fruit and ate; and she gave also to her husband with her, and he ate.

Eve sinned!

What is sin? **Disobeyed God**

Doing it **our** way instead of **God's**

<sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loin coverings.

<sup>8</sup>They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

<sup>9</sup>Then the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?"

<sup>10</sup>He said, "I heard the sound of You in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid myself."

<sup>11</sup>And He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"

The man and the woman **hid** from God because

They were **naked**,

**afraid**,

**ashamed**

Sin brings **Spiritual** death.

Our **sin/disobedience** separates us from God!

<sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me from the tree, and I ate."

<sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" And the woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

### Passing the buck!

It is always easier to blame someone else for our sin than to take responsibility for our own actions.

We are responsible for our own sin (disobedience), but the price to fix it is high!!!!!!

<sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you more than all cattle, and more than every beast of the field; on your belly you will go, and dust you will eat all the days of your life;

<sup>15</sup>And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; he shall bruise you on the head, and you shall bruise him on the heel."

<sup>16</sup>To the woman He said, "I will greatly multiply your pain in childbirth, in pain you will bring forth children; yet your desire will be for your husband, and he will rule over you."

<sup>17</sup>Then to Adam He said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree about which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat from it'; cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you will eat of it all the days of your life.

<sup>18</sup>"Both thorns and thistles it shall grow for you; and you will eat the plants of the field;

<sup>19</sup>By the sweat of your face you will eat bread, till you return to the ground, because from it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

### The High Cost of Sin - The Curse

The serpent (14-15)

**crawl** on his belly and eat **dust**

Hatred between **serpent** and demons and all **people**

This is the root of spiritual **warfare**

Woman's seed (**Jesus**) will bruise (**serpent**) Satan's head, and Satan will bruise **Jesus'** heel.

The Woman (16)

**pain** in childbirth and desiring husband's position - beginning of **marriage** problems.

The Ground (17-18)

Thorns and **thistles**

The Man (17-19)

He will toil and **sweat** To dust he will return

Sin brings **physical** death!

<sup>20</sup>Now the man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all the living.

<sup>21</sup>The LORD God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife, and clothed them.

**Man's sin brought physical death, but it also brought spiritual death through shame and separation from God.**

What did God do to COVER the effects of their sin? (to cover their shame)

God **killed** an innocent animal  
He shed its **blood** to cover man's sins.

<sup>22</sup>Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of Us, knowing good and evil; and now, he might stretch out his hand, and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live forever"--

<sup>23</sup>therefore the LORD God sent him out from the garden of Eden, to cultivate the ground from which he was taken.

<sup>24</sup>So He drove the man out; and at the east of the garden of Eden He stationed the cherubim and the flaming sword which turned every direction to guard the way to the tree of life.

*Eaten out of house and home!*

### **Genesis Chapter 8 - Noah and His Family Leave the Ark**

<sup>20</sup>Then Noah built an altar to the LORD, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar.

<sup>21</sup>The LORD smelled the soothing aroma; and the LORD said to Himself, "I will never again curse the ground on account of man, for the intent of man's heart is evil from his youth; and I will never again destroy every living thing, as I have done.

<sup>22</sup>"While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease."

What does Noah do after God brought them through the flood?

Builds an **altar** and offers **burnt offerings** to the Lord.

God makes a promise, but Noah doesn't know about it yet.

## Genesis Chapter 9 - God makes a covenant with Noah

<sup>8</sup>Then God spoke to Noah and to his sons with him, saying,

<sup>9</sup>"Now behold, I Myself do establish My covenant with you, and with your descendants after you;

<sup>10</sup>and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the cattle, and every beast of the earth with you; of all that comes out of the ark, even every beast of the earth.

<sup>11</sup>"I establish My covenant with you; and all flesh shall never again be cut off by the water of the flood, neither shall there again be a flood to destroy the earth."

<sup>12</sup>God said, "This is the sign of the covenant which I am making between Me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all successive generations;

<sup>13</sup>I set My bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a sign of a covenant between Me and the earth.

### Noahadic Covenant

Who made the covenant? **God**

What did He promise? **never destroy the earth by flood**

Who was the promise for? **Noah and descendants**

What was the sign? **rainbow**

How long will the promise last? **everlasting**

Are there any conditions? **No**

## Genesis Chapter 12 - God makes a Promise to Abram

<sup>1</sup>Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go forth from your country, and from your relatives, and from your father's house, to the land which I will show you;

<sup>2</sup>And I will make you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great; and so you shall be a blessing;

<sup>3</sup>And I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth will be blessed."

### Abrahamic Covenant

What are the 3 main promises that God made?

**land      great nation**

**All the earth will be blessed through him**

**This was a promise of Jesus!**

## Genesis Chapter 15 - God's Covenant with Abram

<sup>1</sup>After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, saying, "Do not fear, Abram, I am a shield to you; your reward shall be very great."

<sup>2</sup>Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will You give me, since I am childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?"

<sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "Since You have given no offspring to me, one born in my house is my heir."

<sup>4</sup>Then behold, the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "This man will not be your heir; but one who will come forth from your own body, he shall be your heir."

God promises Abram a what? **Heir**

<sup>5</sup>And He took him outside and said, "Now look toward the heavens, and count the stars, if you are able to count them" And He said to him, "So shall your descendants be."

God promises Abram how many descendants? **many as the stars**

<sup>6</sup>Then he believed in the LORD; and He reckoned it to him as righteousness.

<sup>7</sup>And He said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess it."

God promises Abram that he will **possess** the land!

<sup>8</sup>He said, "O Lord GOD, how may I know that I will possess it?"

<sup>9</sup>So He said to him, "Bring Me a three year old heifer, and a three year old female goat, and a three year old ram, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon."

<sup>10</sup>Then he brought all these to Him and cut them in two, and laid each half opposite the other; but he did not cut the birds.

<sup>11</sup>The birds of prey came down upon the carcasses, and Abram drove them away.

<sup>12</sup>Now when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and behold, terror and great darkness fell upon him.

<sup>13</sup>God said to Abram, "Know for certain that your descendants will be strangers in a land that is not theirs, where they will be enslaved and oppressed four hundred years.

<sup>14</sup>"But I will also judge the nation whom they will serve, and afterward they will come out with many possessions.

Abram's descendants would be in a strange land for how many years? **400**

What would they be? **slaves**

<sup>15</sup>"As for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you will be buried at a good old age.

<sup>16</sup>"Then in the fourth generation they will return here, for the iniquity of the Amorite is not yet complete."

<sup>17</sup>It came about when the sun had set, that it was very dark, and behold, there appeared a smoking oven and a flaming torch which passed between these pieces.

<sup>18</sup>On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I have given this land, from the river of Egypt as far as the great river, the river Euphrates:

Who made the covenant? **God**

## **Genesis Chapter 17 - The Sign of the Covenant**

<sup>1</sup>Now when Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before Me, and be blameless.

<sup>2</sup>"I will establish My covenant between Me and you, and I will multiply you exceedingly."

<sup>3</sup>Abram fell on his face, and God talked with him, saying,

<sup>4</sup>"As for Me, behold, My covenant is with you, and you will be the father of a multitude of nations.

<sup>5</sup>No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations.

<sup>6</sup>"I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make nations of you, and kings will come forth from you.

<sup>7</sup>"I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your descendants after you.

<sup>8</sup>"I will give to you and to your descendants after you, the land of your sojournings, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God."

<sup>9</sup>God said further to Abraham, "Now as for you, you shall keep My covenant, you and your descendants after you throughout their generations.

<sup>10</sup>"This is My covenant, which you shall keep, between Me and you and your descendants after you: every male among you shall be circumcised.

<sup>11</sup>"And you shall be circumcised in the flesh of your foreskin, and it shall be the sign of the covenant between Me and you.

### **Circumcision**

Cutting away of flesh

Symbolizes - putting aside of our own desires and our own wants

Outward sign of a covenant relationship

In some way our lives should look different from others.

## Abrahamic Covenant

Who made the covenant? **God**

What did He promise? **Land, nation, seed**

Who was the promise for? **For his descendants**

What was the sign? **circumcision**

How long will this promise last? **everlasting**

Are there any conditions? **No**

<sup>19</sup>But God said, "No, but Sarah your wife will bear you a son, and you shall call his name Isaac; and I will establish My covenant with him for an everlasting covenant for his descendants after him.

### Who Are Abraham's Descendants?

Abram

↳ Isaac

↳

Jacob (name is changed to Israel)

↳

12 sons - called the 12 tribes of Israel

↳

Nation of Israel!



Because of a famine, the sons of Jacob (Israel) and their families moved to Egypt. They lived and multiplied until they grew into a multitude. The Egyptians feared their numbers and made them slaves. To fulfill what God had told Abram in Genesis 15:13-14, the nation of Israel became slaves for 400 years.

### Moses - the Deliverer

He delivers the people from their bondage after God brought 10 plagues against Egypt.

The last plague was the death angel that would pass through the land and kill the firstborn of man and beasts

What have we seen that was able to cover over Adam and Eve's spiritual death (separation from God)? **Shedding blood - offering of an animal**

What do you think will save these people from physical death? **Shedding of blood of the lamb**

## **Exodus Chapter 12 - The Passover**

<sup>1</sup>Now the LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt,

<sup>2</sup>"This month shall be the beginning of months for you; it is to be the first month of the year to you.

<sup>3</sup>"Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying, 'On the tenth of this month they are each one to take a lamb for themselves, according to their fathers' households, a lamb for each household.

<sup>4</sup>Now if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his neighbor nearest to his house are to take one according to the number of persons in them; according to what each man should eat, you are to divide the lamb.

<sup>5</sup>Your lamb shall be an unblemished male a year old; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats.

The lamb needed to be what? **unblemished, male, year old**

<sup>6</sup>You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month, then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel is to kill it at twilight.

Where were the people to keep the lamb? **In their home**

For how long? **4 days**

Then what were they supposed to do with it? **Kill it**

When? **twilight**

<sup>7</sup>Moreover, they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses in which they eat it.

What were they to do with the blood of the lamb?

**Put it on their doorposts and on top**



<sup>8</sup>They shall eat the flesh that same night, roasted with fire, and they shall eat it with unleavened bread and bitter herbs.

<sup>9</sup>Do not eat any of it raw or boiled at all with water, but rather roasted with fire, both its head and its legs along with its entrails.

<sup>10</sup>And you shall not leave any of it over until morning, but whatever is left of it until morning, you shall burn with fire.

<sup>11</sup>Now you shall eat it in this manner: with your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste--it is the LORD'S Passover.

<sup>12</sup>For I will go through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike down all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments--I am the LORD.

<sup>13</sup>The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live; and when I see the blood I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

The blood on the doorposts would be a what? **Sign**  
What would the death angel do? **Pass over the house**

<sup>14</sup>Now this day will be a memorial to you, and you shall celebrate it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations you are to celebrate it as a permanent ordinance.

The Israelite people were to celebrate the Passover every year.  
They still do it today. Why? **Permanent ordinance to remember**

<sup>15</sup>Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, but on the first day you shall remove leaven from your houses; for whoever eats anything leavened from the first day until the seventh day, that person shall be cut off from Israel.

What was to be eaten during Passover? **Unleavened bread**  
For how long? **7 days**

<sup>43</sup>The LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "This is the ordinance of the Passover: no foreigner is to eat of it;

<sup>44</sup>but every man's slave purchased with money, after you have circumcised him, then he may eat of it.

<sup>45</sup>"A sojourner or a hired servant shall not eat of it.

Who could not celebrate Passover? **foreigner**  
Who could celebrate Passover? **circumcised**

## Exodus Chapter 24 - Initiation of the covenant of the Law

<sup>3</sup>Then Moses came and recounted to the people all the words of the LORD and all the ordinances; and all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words which the LORD has spoken we will do!"

Moses told the Israelite people all the laws that God wanted them to keep.

How did the people respond to this? **They would do it**

<sup>4</sup>Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD Then he arose early in the morning, and built an altar at the foot of the mountain with twelve pillars for the twelve tribes of Israel.

<sup>5</sup>He sent young men of the sons of Israel, and they offered burnt offerings and sacrificed young bulls as peace offerings to the LORD.

<sup>6</sup>Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and the other half of the blood he sprinkled on the altar.

<sup>7</sup>Then he took the book of the covenant and read it in the hearing of the people; and they said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient!"

<sup>8</sup>So Moses took the blood and sprinkled it on the people, and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant, which the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words."

Moses writes all the laws in a book which is called the book of the **covenant**.

They sacrifice animals and Moses takes the blood and divides it in two.

Half he sprinkles on the **altar** which represented **God** entering into the covenant.

The other half he sprinkled on the **people** - which represented **Israel** entering into the covenant.

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses went up with Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, <sup>10</sup>and they saw the God of Israel; and under His feet there appeared to be a pavement of sapphire, as clear as the sky itself.

<sup>11</sup>Yet He did not stretch out His hand against the nobles of the sons of Israel; and they saw God, and they ate and drank.

What did the people do to seal the covenant relationship?

**Ate and drank**

## Mosaic Covenant

Who made the covenant? **God and the people**

What did He promise? **He would be their God**

Who was the promise for? **Israel**

How long will this promise last? **No mention**

Are there any conditions? **The people would keep all the laws**

### **Exodus Chapter 34 - More Instructions for Feast of Passover and Unleavened Bread**

**25**" You shall not offer the blood of My sacrifice with leavened bread, nor is the sacrifice of the Feast of the Passover to be left over until morning.

What two things were not to be offered together? **Blood and leaven**

Why is this important?

Blood covers?

**sin**

Leaven represents?

**sin**

### **Galatians Chapter 5 - What Do We Know About Leaven?**

**7**You were running well; who hindered you from obeying the truth?

**8**This persuasion did not come from Him who calls you.

**9**A little leaven leavens the whole lump of dough.

**10**I have confidence in you in the Lord that you will adopt no other view; but the one who is disturbing you will bear his judgment, whoever he is.

How were they running? **well**

What did someone do? **Hindered them from obeying truth**

A little leaven does what? **Leavens the whole lump**

What does that mean? **A little sin is going to affect everything around it**

## I Corinthians 5

**6**Your boasting is not good Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump of dough?

**7**Clean out the old leaven so that you may be a new lump, just as you are in fact unleavened. For Christ our Passover also has been sacrificed.

**8**Therefore let us celebrate the feast, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Boasting isn't good. It is like a little leaven that does what?

Leavens the whole lump

What are we supposed to do with the old leaven? Clean it out

Why? It will affect the whole thing

We are to be a what? A new lump

What is Christ? Our Passover

We are supposed to celebrate the feast not with the old leaven of

1. malice

2. Wickedness

But with the unleavened bread of

1. sincerity

2. truth

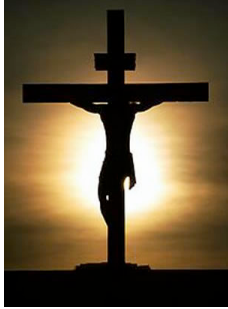
**25**"You shall not offer the blood of My sacrifice with leavened bread, nor is the sacrifice of the Feast of the Passover to be left over until morning.

What two things were not to be offered together? Why?

Blood and the leaven (yeast, sin)

Blood is offered to cover up sin

## **The Old Testament (Covenant) was given as a picture of what was going to come.**



For over 1,400 years, the Israelite people celebrated the Feast of Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread to remember what God did for them when He brought them out of Egypt. But it was also a picture of what God was going to do through His Son - Jesus Christ.

Jesus came to this earth born of a virgin.

When He was 30 years old, He began His ministry that would last 3 years.

He chose 12 disciples - men whom He taught and shared all that He had come to do. These are the men to whom Jesus explained the New Covenant that He was going to bring to the world.

Passover events - 1st month of the Jewish year (Nisan)

- 10th day - select a lamb
- 14th day - kill it at twilight (Sabbath - do no work)
  - spread blood on door posts
  - Clean leaven out of house
  - Roast with fire and eat with unleavened bread
- 21st day - last day of eating unleavened bread (Sabbath - do no work)

On lamb selection day (10th of Nisan) Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a colt

The last evening of Jesus' life (13th of Nisan) was spent in the upper room in Jerusalem.

Jesus and His disciples were there to celebrate the Passover.

**The setting**  
**the evening of Passover**

**The teaching**  
**Jesus talks about a New Covenant to be made with His **blood**.**

## Matthew Chapter 26 - Preparations for Passover - The Last Supper

17 Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Where do You want us to prepare for You to eat the Passover?"

18 And He said, "Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, 'The Teacher says, 'My time is near; I am to keep the Passover at your house with My disciples.''"

19 The disciples did as Jesus had directed them; and they prepared the Passover.

20 Now when evening came, Jesus was reclining at the table with the twelve disciples.

21 As they were eating, He said, "Truly I say to you that one of you will betray Me."

22 Being deeply grieved, they each one began to say to Him, "Surely not I, Lord?"

23 And He answered, "He who dipped his hand with Me in the bowl is the one who will betray Me.

24 "The Son of Man is to go, just as it is written of Him; but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been good for that man if he had not been born."

25 And Judas, who was betraying Him, said, "Surely it is not I, Rabbi?" Jesus said to him, "You have said it yourself."

26 While they were eating, Jesus took some bread, and after a blessing, He broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is My body."

What kind of bread were they eating? **unleavened**  
What did Jesus say the bread represented? **His body**

27 And when He had taken a cup and given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you;

28 for this is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for forgiveness of sins.

What did the cup represent? **His blood**  
Why was His blood being poured out? **For the forgiveness of sins**  
Why did blood need to be poured out for forgiveness of sins?  
**Blood covers over sin**  
Before giving His disciples both the bread and the cup, what did Jesus do? **Gave thanks**

**29**"But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom."

**30**After singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

They sang a hymn and Jesus and His disciples went to the Mount of Olives where Jesus prayed.

One of the disciples, Judas, betrayed Jesus and that night Jesus was arrested, tried, convicted, and sentenced to death.

Pilate, knowing that what was done with Jesus was illegal and realizing that there was something different about this man, tried to reason with the Jewish people. Let's see what he tried to do.

## **Mark Chapter 15 - The Crucifixion of Jesus**

**6**Now at the feast he used to release for them any one prisoner whom they requested.

**7**The man named Barabbas had been imprisoned with the insurrectionists who had committed murder in the insurrection.

**8**The crowd went up and began asking him to do as he had been accustomed to do for them.

**9**Pilate answered them, saying, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?"

**10**For he was aware that the chief priests had handed Him over because of envy.

**11**But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to ask him to release Barabbas for them instead.

**12**Answering again, Pilate said to them, "Then what shall I do with Him whom you call the King of the Jews?"

**13**They shouted back, "Crucify Him!"

**14**But Pilate said to them, "Why, what evil has He done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify Him!"

**15**Wishing to satisfy the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas for them, and after having Jesus scourged, he handed Him over to be crucified.

**16**The soldiers took Him away into the palace (that is, the Praetorium), and they called together the whole Roman cohort.

**17**They dressed Him up in purple, and after twisting a crown of thorns, they put it on Him;

**18**and they began to acclaim Him, "Hail, King of the Jews!"

**19**They kept beating His head with a reed, and spitting on Him, and kneeling and bowing before Him.

**20**After they had mocked Him, they took the purple robe off Him and put His own garments on Him. And they led Him out to crucify Him.

**21**They pressed into service a passer-by coming from the country, Simon of Cyrene (the father of Alexander and Rufus), to bear His cross.

**22**Then they brought Him to the place Golgotha, which is translated, Place of a Skull.

**23**They tried to give Him wine mixed with myrrh; but He did not take it.

**24**And they crucified Him, and divided up His garments among themselves, casting lots for them to decide what each man should take.

**25**It was the third hour when they crucified Him.



**26**The inscription of the charge against Him read, "THE KING OF THE JEWS."

**27**They crucified two robbers with Him, one on His right and one on His left.

**28**[And the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "And He was numbered with transgressors."]

**29**Those passing by were hurling abuse at Him, wagging their heads, and saying, "Ha! You who are going to destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days,

**30**save Yourself, and come down from the cross!"

**31**In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes, were mocking Him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; He cannot save Himself.

**32**"Let this Christ, the King of Israel, now come down from the cross, so that we may see and believe!" Those who were crucified with Him were also insulting Him.

**33**When the sixth hour came, darkness fell over the whole land until the ninth hour.



**34**At the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "ELOI, ELOI, LAMA SABACHTHANI?" which is translated, "MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME?"

**35**When some of the bystanders heard it, they began saying, "Behold, He is calling for Elijah."

**36**Someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed, and gave Him a drink, saying, "Let us see whether Elijah will come to take Him down."

**37**And Jesus uttered a loud cry, and breathed His last.

**38**And the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom.

**39**When the centurion, who was standing right in front of Him, saw the way He breathed His last, he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!"



Twilight

What happened when Jesus died (vs 38)?

**Veil of the temple was torn from top to bottom**

What was Jesus called in I Corinthians 5:7 (pg 12)?

**The Passover**

What were the people of Israel doing at 3:00 PM (twilight) on the day of Passover? **Killing their passover lambs**



They were on the temple mount, bringing their Passover lambs, and Jesus was on a hill outside the city, dying with all the other Passover lambs. John said, "Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." (Jn 1:29)

When Jesus' blood was shed - there was no longer any need for the blood of bulls and goats. Jesus was the perfect sacrifice that would cleanse sin for all time instead of temporarily covering it! There was no more need for the sacrificial system so God ripped the veil of the temple from top to bottom.

## **Mark Chapter 16 - The Resurrection of Jesus Christ**

**1**When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might come and anoint Him.

**2**Very early on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen.

**3**They were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?"

**4**Looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away, although it was extremely large.

**5**Entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting at the right, wearing a white robe; and they were amazed.

**6**And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who has been crucified He has risen; He is not here; behold, here is the place where they laid Him.

What happened to Jesus after He was crucified?

**He was placed in a tomb and then arose from the dead**

**7**"But go, tell His disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see Him, just as He told you.'"

**8**They went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had gripped them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

**9**Now after He had risen early on the first day of the week, He first appeared to Mary Magdalene, from whom He had cast out seven demons.

**10**She went and reported to those who had been with Him, while they were mourning and weeping.

**11**When they heard that He was alive and had been seen by her, they refused to believe it.

**12**After that, He appeared in a different form to two of them while they were walking along on their way to the country.

**13**They went away and reported it to the others, but they did not believe them either.

**14**Afterward He appeared to the eleven themselves as they were reclining at the table; and He reproached them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who had seen Him after He had risen.

Not only did Jesus raise from the dead, but He appeared to who  
according to verses 9, 12, and 14?

Mary, two, 11 disciples

**15**And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.

**16**"He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned.

**17**"These signs will accompany those who have believed: in My name they will cast out demons, they will speak with new tongues;

**18**they will pick up serpents, and if they drink any deadly poison, it will not hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

**19**So then, when the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God.

After appearing to many, He commissioned the disciples to go and  
preach the gospel.

Jesus was then taken up into heaven where He sat down at the right hand of God. All through the New Testament it talks about Jesus sitting at the right hand of God. His atoning work on the cross was complete. We don't see Him standing again until the book of Revelation where, once again, He will go to work judging sin.

## Hebrews Chapter 10 - The Old Covenant Replaced by the New

1For the Law, since it has only a shadow of the good things to come and not the very form of things, can never, by the same sacrifices which they offer continually year by year, make perfect those who draw near.

2Otherwise, would they not have ceased to be offered, because the worshipers, having once been cleansed, would no longer have had consciousness of sins?

3But in those sacrifices there is a reminder of sins year by year.

4For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.

The Law (the Old Covenant) was only a what? **Shadow**

The sacrifices didn't take away **sins**, it was just a **reminder** of sin year after year.

5Therefore, when He comes into the world, He says,

"SACRIFICE AND OFFERING YOU HAVE NOT DESIRED,  
BUT A BODY YOU HAVE PREPARED FOR ME;

6IN WHOLE BURNT OFFERINGS AND sacrifices FOR SIN YOU HAVE TAKEN NO PLEASURE.

7"THEN I SAID, 'BEHOLD, I HAVE COME

(IN THE SCROLL OF THE BOOK IT IS WRITTEN OF ME)  
TO DO YOUR WILL, O GOD."

8After saying above, "SACRIFICES AND OFFERINGS AND WHOLE BURNT OFFERINGS AND sacrifices FOR SIN YOU HAVE NOT DESIRED, NOR HAVE YOU TAKEN PLEASURE in them" (which are offered according to the Law),

9then He said, "BEHOLD, I HAVE COME TO DO YOUR WILL." He takes away the first in order to establish the second.

10By this will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

11Every priest stands daily ministering and offering time after time the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins;

12but He, having offered one sacrifice for sins for all time, SAT DOWN AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD,

13waiting from that time onward UNTIL HIS ENEMIES BE MADE A FOOTSTOOL FOR HIS FEET.

Jesus' body was offered once for **all**.

The priests sacrifices never took away sin - they only covered them up, but Jesus' sacrifice was perfect - it was done for all time, so He can now take a seat where? **At the right hand of God**

His work is done!

**14**For by one offering He has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

**15**And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us; for after saying,

**16**"THIS IS THE COVENANT THAT I WILL MAKE WITH THEM  
AFTER THOSE DAYS, SAYS THE LORD:  
I WILL PUT MY LAWS UPON THEIR HEART,  
AND ON THEIR MIND I WILL WRITE THEM,"

He then says,

**17**"AND THEIR SINS AND THEIR LAWLESS DEEDS  
I WILL REMEMBER NO MORE."

**18**Now where there is forgiveness of these things, there is no longer any offering for sin.

**19**Therefore, brethren, since we have confidence to enter the holy place by the blood of Jesus,

**20**by a new and living way which He inaugurated for us through the veil, that is, His flesh,

**21**and since we have a great priest over the house of God,

**22**let us draw near with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

We can enter the holy place (the presence of God) through what?

**Blood of Jesus**

What did the veil in the tabernacle (temple) represent?

**Jesus' flesh**

We can enter into God's presence because Jesus, our perfect, unblemished, Passover Lamb, has cleansed us with His blood!

**23**Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful;

**24**and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds,

**25**not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near.

What are we supposed to be doing for each other?

**Encouraging one another and stimulating one another to love and good deeds**

There is a pretty strong warning if we do not do this.

Read the next verses carefully!

**26**For if we go on sinning willfully after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,

**27**but a terrifying expectation of judgment and **THE FURY OF A FIRE WHICH WILL CONSUME THE ADVERSARIES.** (cf Romans 1:21, 25)

**28**Anyone who has set aside the Law of Moses dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses.

**29**How much severer punishment do you think he will deserve who has trampled under foot the Son of God, and has regarded as unclean the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has insulted the Spirit of grace?

**30**For we know Him who said, "VENGEANCE IS MINE, I WILL REPAY " And again, "THE LORD WILL JUDGE HIS PEOPLE."

**31**It is a terrifying thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

## **The Cost of Rejecting God's Grace**

If we know the truth but keep on sinning, what happens?

**There is no more sacrifice for sin and there will be fiery judgment**

In verse 29, what does it say we have done if we continue to sin after knowing what Jesus did for us?

**Trample under the foot the Son of God (His sacrifice of blood)**

Why is it terrifying to fall into the hands of the living God, and who needs to be terrified?

**Vengeance is His - those who reject God**

So it's much easier to do what God wants. Right?

Consider the costs!

**32**But remember the former days, when, after being enlightened, you endured a great conflict of sufferings,

**33**partly by being made a public spectacle through reproaches and tribulations, and partly by becoming sharers with those who were so treated.

**34**For you showed sympathy to the prisoners and accepted joyfully the seizure of your property, knowing that you have for yourselves a better possession and a lasting one.

**35**Therefore, do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward.

**36**For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God, you may receive what was promised.

**37**FOR YET IN A VERY LITTLE WHILE,

HE WHO IS COMING WILL COME, AND WILL NOT DELAY.

**38**BUT MY RIGHTEOUS ONE SHALL LIVE BY FAITH;

AND IF HE SHRINKS BACK, MY SOUL HAS NO PLEASURE IN HIM.

**39**But we are not of those who shrink back to destruction, but of those who have faith to the preserving of the soul.

## **The Cost of Accepting God's Grace**

What happened after people were enlightened (learned the truth)?

**Conflict, sufferings, property seized, public spectacles, reproach**

Why did they suffer such things?

**Because they were doing the will of God**

Is it worth it?

**A great reward is coming**

Jesus died for you!

He paid a debt He did not owe, because you owed a debt you could not pay!

He offers you the free gift - His shed blood on the cross.

It was costly for Jesus - He gave you everything He had!

Have you accepted His free gift?

If you have, you owe Him your life in return!

Have you counted the cost?

# TAKING PART IN THE COVENANT MEAL "DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME"

## 1 Corinthians Chapter 11 - Problems with the Lord's Supper

18For, in the first place, when you come together as a church, I hear that divisions exist among you; and in part I believe it.

19For there must also be factions among you, so that those who are approved may become evident among you.

20Therefore when you meet together, it is not to eat the Lord's Supper,

21for in your eating each one takes his own supper first; and one is hungry and another is drunk.

22What! Do you not have houses in which to eat and drink? Or do you despise the church of God and shame those who have nothing? What shall I say to you? Shall I praise you? In this I will not praise you.

What were the problems in the church at Corinth?

They had divisions, they came to eat some had a lot, some had none, some were drunk, wrong motive to meet together - it was not to eat the Lord's Supper

23For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus in the night in which He was betrayed took bread;

24and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is My body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me."

25In the same way He took the cup also after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood; do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

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

Jesus gave thanks for the bread and the cup and gave them to eat.

What were they supposed to do and for how long?

Do this in remembrance of Him and they were to it until He comes

Caution! Warnings ahead!

**27**Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord.

**28**But a man must examine himself, and in so doing he is to eat of the bread and drink of the cup.

**29**For he who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself if he does not judge the body rightly.

**30**For this reason many among you are weak and sick, and a number sleep.

**31**But if we judged ourselves rightly, we would not be judged.

**32**But when we are judged, we are disciplined by the Lord so that we will not be condemned along with the world.

**33**So then, my brethren, when you come together to eat, wait for one another.

**34**If anyone is hungry, let him eat at home, so that you will not come together for judgment. The remaining matters I will arrange when I come.

Someone who takes part in the Lord's Supper in an unworthy way is guilty of what?

**Of the body and blood of the Lord**

What are you supposed to do before eating and drinking in the Lord's Supper?

**Examine ourselves first**

What could be the consequences of not obeying this?

**Being weak, sick, or dead**

Who can take part in the Lord's Supper?

- One who understands that they are a sinner, that they cannot get to God by their own works or deeds, that the only way they can come to God is through Jesus Christ and what He has done on their behalf.
- One who is willing to accept Jesus' shed blood on their behalf and enter into a covenant relationship with Him on His terms.
- One who has given their life totally and completely over to God and are allowing Him to be Lord and Master of their life (this will be evident by the lifestyle that is lived).
- You have examined your life and there is no known, unconfessed sin in your life which you will not make right with God.
- You are willing to testify to your faith.