

**I. Prepared - Luke 22:7-13**

1. Day of Unleavened Bread lasted 7 days (**verse 7**)
  - A. In preparation each family removed leaven from the home
  - B. The primary reason to remember in this way was that the Israelites left in haste  
Rea                    -we don't even want to take the time for bread to rise
  - C. Yeast symbolizes impurity  
                         -Jesus warned the disciples against the yeast of the Pharisees (Luke 12:1)
2. The Passover Lamb was sacrificed on this day  
An annual occasion to remember  
Rea                    We celebrate Thanksgiving to "remember" - and the Lord's Supper table has "In Remembrance of me" on the front - that is if you still have a table???
3. Go and make preparations (**verse 8**)
  - A. Sends Peter and John
  - B. Where do you want to celebrate it? (**Verse 9**)
  - C. Follow a man with a jar of water (**verse 10**) - say to the owner "Where is the guest room? (Verse 11)  
                         -the wording makes it sound as if this were not accidental - Jesus had this arranged  
Rea                    -?? - a random man carrying a jar - is this pre-arranged? I guess he just kept on walking up and down the road waiting for the disciples?  
                         D. Make preparations there (**verse 12**)
4. Peter and John left - no questions asked (**verse 13**) - they found "things" just as Jesus had said  
Rea                    **Ideas and Questions:**
  1. They believed and obeyed - they understood later... we ought do things in this same sequence
  2. Secrecy was involved??
  3. The place of Passover is just as mysterious as so many things in the gospels... we tend to make a god out of the place - So sometimes God takes that off the table
  4. God does not always work out of a "place." Here's my personal belief, the place is  
not                    the anointed thing it's the person - anointing a "place" is a bit superstitious

**II. Looking Forward - Luke 22:14-18**

1. Reclined at the table (**verse 14**)  
Rea                    -in Jewish fashion they did not sit in chairs but reclined on cushions or couches - in our day we might call this a "lounge" chair
2. Eats with the apostles - not the larger group of disciples
3. Eagerly desired to eat this Passover (**verse 15**)  
Rea                    -why "eagerly" - because He was instructing them and giving them a "heads up" -before "I suffer"
- Rea                    -once again, Jesus knows what's about to happen. So many think that Jesus just kinda "blundered" into the crucifixion, - here, He knows
4. I will not eat this supper until it finds fulfillment in the kingdom of God (**verse 16**)

- ?a future messianic Passover? - a meal?
- a fulfillment of the Passover is that Jesus is “sacrificed” as the lamb of God
- 5. Takes the cup (**verse 17**)
  - take this and divide it among you
  - the traditional Passover meal had four cups - this is one
  - the “dividing” does not mandate using a single cup
  - then He gives thanks
- Rea 6. One cup and one piece of bread carry best the idea of drinking of one cup - all of them are unified in Jesus’ suffering and death... and all of them believe in one Savior
- 7. I will not drink it again until the kingdom of God come (**verse 18**)
- Rea -a future meal?? - sounds like it
- Rea **Ideas and Questions:**
  1. It is a meal - the Passover Meal - so the setting of “food” is a good one... so is the idea of “eating” - or “swallowing” the contract, covenant
  2. Jewish Passovers were a “normal” event - so Jesus takes their Old Testament symbol and transforms it into it’s true meaning - the “lamb of God” (Jesus)
  3. Discuss - do you think the disciples “got it?” - why or why not?
    - if we don’t “get” what God is doing - He still does it

### III. Looking Back - Luke 22:19-20

1. Jesus took “bread” (**verse 19**)
  - unleavened - for Passover
  - He explained - “this is my body which is given for you”
2. Do this in remembrance of me
- Rea -our writer says this was not part of the Passover ritual - then why must Passover bread be “Unleavened?”
- Rea 3. Again, I believe that to break one piece of bread carries the symbolism of them all “buying into” Jesus one body being broken -they “swallow it”
  - it is one body - bread and cup symbolize one body - blood and body
- Rea 4. Note - Jesus says this is my body. That does not mean that the bread miraculously changed into Jesus physical body. It is only a symbol. If I took out a picture of my wife and said “this is my wife” I do not mean that the picture literally becomes my wife. I mean that this picture is a representation of my wife.
5. He took the cup (**verse 20**)
  - Rea -again takes the cup
  - Rea A. This is the new covenant in “MY” blood - as opposed to the blood of the Passover lamb
  - Rea B. Poured out - not spilt (to spill something means it is accidental - Jesus’ death was not accidental - but intentional and voluntary)
  - C. Vicarious death on the cross
  - Rea -vicarious death and substitutionary are not the same thing - Jesus died as a substitution - just as the Old Testament animals died “in place of” their giver for the sins of the giver