



**Lesson Title:** The Lord's Supper

**Scripture Focus:** Luke 22:19

### The Lesson in Context

Until that point, every animal the Jews had sacrificed helped to postpone the penalty for their sins until the following year when they could offer another sacrifice. But Jesus' sacrifice of His own life did not just postpone the penalty; His blood paid the penalty we owed. Now, we can stand before God forgiven and free from the power of sin. The writer of the Book of Hebrews was right: the new covenant is better than the old covenant because the new covenant gives us new life, something the old covenant could never do.

Throughout the year, we are offered communion, often during special services. Communion reminds us of the sacrifice Jesus made for us. Jesus shared communion with His disciples at the Last Supper. When He was finished, He instructed them: "Do this in remembrance of me . . . until I come." We eat the bread and remember Jesus' broken body for us; we drink the fruit of the vine and remember Jesus' shed blood for us. We must remember Jesus' sacrifice, for without it, we would all be lost. We celebrate, we remember, and we look forward in faith to the day Jesus returns for His church.

### Group Discussion

1. If you were at the Passover dinner and no one offered to wash the guests' feet, what do you think you would have done?
2. What can you do today to serve someone in humility?
3. What do you think it was like for the high priest to be in the awesome presence of Almighty God inside the Holy of Holies?
4. What do you remember most when you participate in a Communion service?
5. What about the condition of our world shows signs to you that Jesus' coming is near?

### My Prayer for the Upcoming Week

How do you want to be different because of what you have experienced today?

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