

AT THE TABLE SERMON NOTES

Sermon Title: "Dinner with Friends"

Text: Luke 22:14-27

Date: Sunday, October 5, 2025

Luke 22:14-16:, "And Jesus said to them, 'I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer.

Truth for Today

- Jesus <u>reveals</u> the depth of his <u>love</u>.
- Jesus **redeems** what sin **ruined**.
- Jesus <u>redefines</u> our meaning of <u>success</u>.

Bottom Line:

In a world <u>desperate</u> to get ahead, Jesus calls us to <u>descend</u> into greatness instead.

1. The table reminds us how Jesus loves. (Luke 22:14-16)

Jesus' guest list for the last supper proves:

- His love is **indiscriminate**.
- His love is <u>unconditional</u>.
- His love is undeniable.

II. The table reminds us why Jesus <u>came</u>. (Luke 22:17-20)

- To <u>fulfill</u> God's <u>promise</u>.
- To forgive our past.
- To <u>fix</u> our broken <u>world</u>.

III. The table reminds us of the way Jesus <u>leads</u>. (Luke 22:23-27)

- True <u>success</u> looks like selfless service.
- Real <u>authority</u> flows from sincere <u>humility</u>.
- We go <u>up</u> by going <u>low</u>.

Application::

- Make <u>room</u> for others to join you at the table without limitation.
- Stop <u>striving</u> to earn what Jesus already secured through his <u>sacrifice</u>.
- Serve others not to get **ahead**, but to **lift** them up.

Reflection Questions:

- Who would you invite to dinner if you knew it was your last night on earth?
- Where are you still trying to earn God's favor instead of trusting His finished work on the cross?
- What would it look like for you to "descend into greatness" in your world right now?

