

**THANKFULNESS:
RADICAL PROMISE
Matthew 26:26-29**



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It Was All Planned Before Time Began.



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Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom." (ESV)



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The Time

The Third Passover

- Importance through Biblical history
 - The first; start of the exodus from Egypt – Exodus 12
 - Freedom from over 400 years of slavery
 - In with 70... out with the over 600,000
 - Before leaving Egypt... anticipation of fulfillment



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The Time

The Third Passover

- Importance through Biblical history
 - The first; start of the exodus from Egypt – Exodus 12
 - The first in the Promise Land – Joshua 5:10-12
 - After crossing the Jordon River
 - Before their first battle
 - Reestablishment of God's covenant
 - Manna ceased



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The Time

The Third Passover

- Importance through Biblical history
 - The first; start of the exodus from Egypt – Exodus 12
 - The first in the Promise Land – Joshua 5:10-12
 - Unlike others - King Josiah – 2 Chronicles 35:1-19



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The Time

The Third Passover

- Importance through Biblical history
- Christ honored the Feast of Unleavened Bread while discipling His disciples
 - In Jerusalem – John 2:13-25
 - Cleanses the Temple
 - Prophecies of His death



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The Time

The Third Passover

- Importance through Biblical history
- Christ honored the Feast of Unleavened Bread while discipling His disciples
 - In Jerusalem – John 2:13-25
 - In Galilee on a mountain side - John 6:1-15
 - Feeding of the 5,000
 - Compassion on the people following



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The Time

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- Importance through Biblical history
- Christ honored the Feast of Unleavened Bread while discipling His disciples
 - In Jerusalem – John 2:13-25
 - In Galilee on a mountain side - John 6:1-15
 - In Jerusalem – John 13
 - Triumphant entry
 - Second cleansing of the Temple
 - Much teaching with His disciples



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The Time

The Third Passover

Meaning Of The Passover

- God moving His people from slavery to freedom
- Remembering the time and way God worked to fulfill His promise
- Preparing for Passover... more than a day



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The Time

The Third Passover

Meaning Of The Passover

Completing Christ's Earthly Ministry

- Moments away from the cross and fulfilling the Father's will
- Taught with authority
- Taught principles
- Demonstrated His power through miracles



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The Significance

Emphasizes Given

- The bread
 - Unleavened bread
 - Leaven used as an illustration of sin – 1 Corinthians 5:6-8; Galatians 5:9
 - “I Am the Bread of Life” – John 6:25-59



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The Significance

Emphasizes Given

- The bread
- The cup
 - Each cup in a traditional Passover has a different and significant meaning
 - Last cup
 - Cup of praise
 - Future redemption of Israel



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The Significance

Emphasizes Given

New Meanings Given

- The bread is the body of Christ
- The cup is the blood of Christ
- The Lamb of God – John 1:29
 - Reflection back to Exodus
 - The lamb was prepared and eaten
 - The blood of the lamb placed on the post of the door brought salvation... passing over sparing life



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The Significance

Emphasizes Given
New Meanings Given
Instead Of The Old

- Christ broke from the traditional Passover rituals
- Demonstrating He is the anticipated Messiah



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The Implications

Bold Proclamation Being Fulfilled

- “That takes away the sins of the world”
- Never hunger – John 4:31-38
- Poured out for sins



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The Implications

Bold Proclamation Being Fulfilled

New Covenant

- Promise between God and mankind
- Foundation of the new covenant is anchored in the blood of Christ
- No more sacrificial system... He is the Lamb



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The Implications

Bold Proclamation Being Fulfilled

New Covenant

Coming Celebration

- Marriage supper of the Lamb – Revelation 19:1-10
- All believers worshiping Christ in the kingdom forever



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Come To The Table.
Spend a few moments in personal
prayer and repentance.
Come break a piece of the bread and a
cup; return to your seat.
We eat the bread and
drink the cup together
as one body.

