

Lord's Supper

11-24-19

Sunday Morning

1 Corinthians 11:23 For 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;  
<sup>24</sup> and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is My body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me."

<sup>25</sup> In 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."

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

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1. "in the night in which He was **betrayed**"

a. Literally – the night He was being betrayed

- i. The language is showing the act of being betrayed
- ii. The language is adding color to the scene
- iii. The Holy Spirit wants us to see the backdrop of this scene

b. This betrayal was foreordained by God

i. Peter tells us of this in **Acts 2**

**Acts 2:22** "Men of Israel, listen to these words: Jesus the Nazarene, a man attested to you by God with miracles and wonders and signs which God performed through Him in your midst, just as you yourselves know—

<sup>23</sup> this *Man*, delivered over by the predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God, you nailed to a cross by the hands of godless men and put *Him* to death.

<sup>24</sup> "But God raised Him up again, putting an end to the agony of death, since it was impossible for Him to be held in its power.

c. But just because this was predetermined **doesn't** mean that the people responsible aren't held accountable

- i. Someone was going to crucify Christ but those individuals chose to betray Christ!
- ii. Christ states as much that very night

**Mark 14:18** As they were reclining *at the table* and eating, Jesus said, "Truly I say to you that one of you will betray Me—one who is eating with Me."

**V.21** "For 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."

d. Christ loved Judas

- i. You can hear the love HE has for Judas in Gethsemane

**Luke 22:48** But Jesus said to him, "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?"

**Matthew 26:50** And Jesus said to him, "**Friend**<sup>(compadre)</sup>, *do* what you have come for." Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and seized Him.

e. In the upper room the betrayal upset Christ

**John 13:21** When Jesus had said this, He became troubled in spirit, and testified and said, "Truly<sup>(amen)</sup> truly<sup>(amen)</sup>, I say to you, that one of you will betray Me."

f. Knowing it was all predestined didn't make easier for Christ

- i. He who knew no sin – was going to take the punishment for the all the sins of all men

- ii. Listen to the description of Christ in Gethsemane

**Mark 14:33** And He took with Him Peter and James and John, and began to be very distressed<sup>(shocked/amazed/alarmed)</sup> and troubled<sup>(horrified)</sup>.

<sup>34</sup> And He said to them, "My soul is deeply grieved<sup>(swallowed up)</sup> to the point of death; remain here and keep watch."

2. " x that the Lord Jesus in the **night** in which He was betrayed"

- There seems to be an emphasis on the term "night"
- It was "night" in the fullest sense b/c evil won!
- That event was foretold 4000 years earlier

**Genesis 3:15** 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."

- i. Christ was bruised for our sins

**Isaiah 53:5** But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed<sup>(bruised)</sup> for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being *fell* upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed.

- d. That the word "**night**" shows up elsewhere

**John 13:21** When Jesus had said this, He became troubled in spirit, and testified and said, "Truly, truly, I say to you, that one of you will betray Me."

<sup>22</sup> The disciples *began* looking at one another, at a loss *to know* of which one He was speaking.

**V.26** Jesus then answered, "That is the one for whom I shall dip the morsel and give it to him." So when He had dipped the morsel, He took and gave it to Judas, *the son* of Simon Iscariot.

<sup>27</sup> After the morsel, Satan then entered into him. Therefore Jesus said to him, "What you do, do quickly."

**V.30** So after receiving the morsel he went out immediately; **and it was night.**

- e. When Christ was arrested in the garden – He referenced **darkness**

**Luke 22:47** While He was still speaking, behold, a crowd *came*, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was preceding them; and he approached Jesus to kiss Him.

**V.52** Then Jesus said to the chief priests and officers of the temple and elders who had come against Him, "Have you come out with swords and clubs as you would against a robber?"

<sup>53</sup> "While I was with you daily in the temple, you did not lay hands on Me; but this hour and the power of darkness are yours."

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1. "when He had given thanks"

a. With the backdrop we just looked at – what is Christ giving "thanks" for?

i. Is it the bread, like when we thank God for food? No!

ii. They had already eaten the meal

b. Christ was able to see beyond the dark night; beyond the betrayal; beyond His own suffering; & see that the redemption of man was at hand

2. "He broke it, and said, "This is My body, which is for you"

a. His life is the only life which could pay for sin

i. He willingly, thankfully gave Himself

**Hebrews 10:1** For 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.

**V.5** Therefore, when He comes into the world, He says, "SACRIFICE AND OFFERING YOU HAVE NOT DESIRED, BUT A BODY YOU HAVE PREPARED FOR ME;

ii. His body – was the only body that could be given for sin

iii. He was the only sacrifice that could pay for the sins of man

b. He is giving thanks for the body He had to offer

**Hebrews 4:15** For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as *we are*, yet without sin.

i. His body testifies to Who He is

V.25 *In 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."

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1. "In the same way He took the cup"
  - a. He gave thanks for the cup also

**Matthew 26:27** And when He had taken a cup and given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you;

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

- b. Was He thankful for grape juice – No!
- c. He was thankful for the salvation that His blood provided
  - i. His blood paid for the sins of all humanity

**1 John 2:2** and He Himself is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for *those of* the whole world.

- i. In that background – Christ gave thanks for being able to pay for our sins – I don't understand it – but it's true!

**Philippians 2:5** Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus,  
<sup>6</sup> who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped,  
<sup>7</sup> but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, *and* being made in the likeness of men.  
<sup>8</sup> Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

- f. This is the season we emphasize giving thanks
- g. But for the believer – every season should be a season of thanksgiving
- h. What a loving Savior we have
- i. What a grand future is ours
- j. Is your life isn't a life filled w/ thanksgiving – it is b/c your focus is wrong
- k. When you focus on the big picture it is easy to give thanks
- l. Zerubbabel's Temple is a perfect example of wrong focus
  - i. After 70 years of captivity some were thrilled
  - ii. But others compared it to Solomon's Temple

**Ezra 3:11** They sang, praising and giving thanks to the LORD, *saying*, "For He is good, for His lovingkindness is upon Israel forever." And all the people shouted with a great shout when they praised the LORD because the foundation of the house of the LORD was laid.

<sup>12</sup> **Yet** many of the priests and Levites and heads of fathers' *households*, the old men who had seen the first temple, wept with a loud voice when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes, while many shouted aloud for joy,

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

1. "you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes"
  - a. We have so much to be thankful for
    - i. Everything here is temporary
    - ii. Everything in eternity is permanent
  - b. He is coming back for us – to take us to be where He is!