

BIBLE STORY: The Last Supper Matthew 26:17-30; Mark 14:12-26; Luke 22:7-30; John 13:18-30

MAIN POINT:

Jesus and the disciples ate the first Lord's Supper at Passover.

FAMILY CONNECT QUESTION:

What is your FAVORITE food? Think about your absolute favorite food that you could eat every day, if you could. Share with your family.

Today we are going to learn about Jesus' last meal before He died and rose again, called the Last Supper. What happened at this last supper was incredibly important. Jesus explained to His followers that God was establishing a new covenant (a promise or agreement) with His people.

ACTIVITY: HARD TO REMEMBER

What you need: tray, 10 objects, towel

Find 10 random small objects around the house and set them on a tray or cookie sheet. Lay a towel over the tray so they can't see the objects. Tell your family they have 10 seconds to look at the items on the tray, and then you're going to cover them back up. Then, work together to see if they can remember all 10 objects. After they've attempted to recall all 10, give them another 10 seconds to look. Continue to repeat the process until you have listed all 10 objects.

Say: "It was hard to remember all 10 objects after only looking at them once, wasn't it? The more we do something, the easier it is to remember. That's why the church continues to celebrate the Lord's Supper because it helps us remember what Jesus did for us." ACTIVITY: SONG AND STORY What you need: links to today's lesson https://vimeo.com/400980207

ACTIVITY: BIBLE STORY RETELL

Passover was a time to celebrate the way God saved His people from slavery in Egypt. At this first Lord's Supper, Jesus said that God was starting a new covenant, an important promise. The original covenant that God made with His people was this: God would give instructions, and people would agree to obey those instructions in order to honor God and receive blessing from Him. God's people wanted to obey and serve Him, but no one could do it perfectly. No one, except Jesus.

Jesus took the original covenant and turned it around. Instead of asking the people to promise to serve God, Jesus said that He promised to serve people. He showed a small picture of that when He washed the disciples' feet. But the main way He served people, was by perfectly obeying God and died on the cross in place for their sins. That's why He said the bread was His body and the cup was His blood. He was telling His disciples that He would die in their place and in place of ALL of His followers.

Pray: "God, thank you for your perfect and Holy Son, Jesus. Thank you, Jesus, for taking the punishment for all of our sins so that we can have the promise of a forever relationship with You. We are so thankful for Your incredible love for us! Amen"

