



## Lesson 60 – “In Remembrance of Me”

Based on Matthew 26:20-29; Mark 14:17-25; Luke 22:14-23; John 13:18-30

Christ was standing at the point of transition between two economies and their two great festivals. He, the spotless Lamb of God, was about to present Himself as a sin offering, that He would thus bring to an end the system of types and ceremonies that for four thousand years had pointed to His death. As He ate the Passover with His disciples, He instituted in its place the service that was to be the memorial of His great sacrifice. The national festival of the Jews was to pass away forever. The service which Christ established was to be observed by His followers in all lands and through all ages.

1) How did Jesus begin the Passover Service?

**Luke 22:15-16** And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I \_\_\_\_\_: For I say unto you, I will not any more \_\_\_\_\_ thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God.

2) How does Paul describe the Communion service?

**1 Corinthians 11:23-26** And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my \_\_\_\_\_, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my \_\_\_\_\_: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this \_\_\_\_\_, and drink this \_\_\_\_\_, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.

The Passover was ordained as a commemoration of the deliverance of Israel from Egyptian bondage. God had directed that, year by year, as the children should ask the meaning of this ordinance, the history should be repeated. Thus, the wonderful deliverance was to be kept fresh in the minds of all. The ordinance of the Lord's Supper was given to commemorate the great deliverance wrought out as the result of the death of Christ.

3) How was Christ a fulfilment of the Passover ceremony?

**1 Peter 1:19** But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without \_\_\_\_\_ and without \_\_\_\_\_:

Christ is still at the table on which the paschal supper has been spread. The unleavened cakes used at the Passover season are before Him. The Passover wine, untouched by fermentation, is on the table. These emblems Christ employs to represent His own unblemished sacrifice.

4) What did Christ do?

**Matthew 26:26-29** And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and \_\_\_\_\_ it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. And he took the cup, and gave \_\_\_\_\_, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the \_\_\_\_\_ of sins. But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my \_\_\_\_\_ kingdom.

5) What did Luke say about the unleavened bread?

**Luke 22:19** And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in \_\_\_\_\_ of me.



Judas the betrayer was present at the sacramental service. He received from Jesus the emblems of His broken body and His spilled blood. He heard the words, ***"This do in remembrance of Me."*** And sitting there in the very presence of the Lamb of God, the betrayer brooded upon his own dark purposes, and cherished his sullen, revengeful thoughts.

- 6) What warning did Jesus give them all?

**John 13:11** For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, Ye are not all \_\_\_\_\_.

These words convinced the false disciple that Christ read his secret purpose.

- 7) What prophecy was fulfilled here?

**Psalms 41:9** Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I \_\_\_\_\_, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against me.

- 8) What did Jesus tell all present?

**Matthew 26:21** And as they did eat, he said, Verily I say unto you, that one of you shall \_\_\_\_\_ me.

At these words amazement and consternation seized them. They could not comprehend how any one of them could deal treacherously with their divine Teacher. For what cause could they betray Him? and to whom? Whose heart could give birth to such a design?

- 9) How did the Disciples react?

**John 13:22-25** Then the disciples looked one on another, doubting of whom he \_\_\_\_\_. Now there was leaning on Jesus' bosom one of his disciples, whom Jesus loved. Simon Peter therefore beckoned to him, that he should \_\_\_\_\_ who it should be of whom he spake. He then lying on Jesus' breast saith unto him, Lord, who is it?

- 10) What did Jesus answer them?

**John 13:26** Jesus answered, He it is, to whom I shall give a sop, when I have dipped it. And when he had dipped the sop, he gave it to \_\_\_\_\_, the son of Simon.

- 11) What did Jesus say about His betrayer?

**Matthew 26:24** The Son of man goeth as it is written of him: but woe unto that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! it had been good for that man if he had not been \_\_\_\_\_.

- 12) What did Judas say?

**Matthew 26:25** Then Judas, which betrayed him, answered and said, Master, is it I? He said unto him, \_\_\_\_\_ hast said.

- 13) What awful thing happened next?

**John 13:27** And after the sop \_\_\_\_\_ entered into him. Then said Jesus unto him, That thou doest, do quickly.

Judas rose hastily to leave the room. Night it was to the traitor as he turned away from Christ into the outer darkness. Until this step was taken, Judas had not passed beyond the possibility of repentance. But when he left the presence of his Lord and his fellow disciples, the final decision had been made. He had passed the boundary line.



Nothing that could be done to save Judas had been left undone. After he had twice covenanted to betray his Lord, Jesus still gave him opportunity for repentance. By reading the secret purpose of the traitor's heart, Christ gave to Judas the final, convincing evidence of His divinity. This was to the false disciple the last call to repentance. No appeal that the divine-human heart of Christ could make had been spared. The waves of mercy, beaten back by stubborn pride, returned in a stronger tide of subduing love. But although surprised and alarmed at the discovery of his guilt, Judas became only the more determined. From the sacramental supper he went out to complete the work of betrayal.

**14) What did Jesus tell the eleven Disciples that were left?**

**John 13:19** that, when it is come to pass, ye may believe that \_\_\_\_\_.

A year before, Jesus had told the disciples that He had chosen twelve, and that one was a devil. Now His words to Judas, showing that his treachery was fully known to his Master, would strengthen the faith of Christ's true followers during His humiliation. And when Judas should have come to his dreadful end, they would remember the woe that Jesus had pronounced upon the betrayer.

**15) What had Jesus said right after the foot washing?**

**John 13:11** For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, Ye are not all \_\_\_\_\_.

Though Jesus knew Judas from the beginning, He washed his feet. And the betrayer was privileged to unite with Christ in partaking of the sacrament. A long-suffering Saviour held out every inducement for the sinner to receive Him, to repent, and to be cleansed from the defilement of sin. This example is for us. When we suppose one to be in error and sin, we are not to divorce ourselves from him. By no careless separation are we to leave him a prey to temptation or drive him upon Satan's battleground.

**16) What should we do before we partake of the Lord's Supper?**

**1 Corinthians 11:28** But let a man \_\_\_\_\_ himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.

**17) Why should we take it seriously?**

**1 Corinthians 11:27** Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.

By participating in and partaking of the Communion Service, you are making a covenant with God. It is more than a ritual or a tradition.

Christ by the Holy Spirit is there to set the seal to His own ordinance. He is there to convict and soften the heart. Not a look, not a thought of contrition, escapes His notice. For the repentant, brokenhearted one He is waiting. All things are ready for that soul's reception. He who washed the feet of Judas longs to wash every heart from the stain of sin.

**18) What does communion with Jesus give us?**

**John 14:27** Peace I leave with you, my \_\_\_\_\_ I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.



In partaking with His disciples of the bread and wine, Christ pledged Himself to them as their Redeemer. He committed to them the new covenant, by which all who receive Him become children of God, and joint heirs with Christ. By this covenant every blessing that heaven could bestow for this life and the life to come was theirs. This covenant deed was to be ratified with the blood of Christ. And the administration of the Sacrament was to keep before the disciples the infinite sacrifice made for each of them individually as a part of the great whole of fallen humanity.

**19) What promises were given earlier in His ministry**

- a) **John 3:14** And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be \_\_\_\_\_ up: That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.
- b) **John 6:53-55** Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye \_\_\_\_\_ the flesh of the Son of man, and \_\_\_\_\_ his blood, ye have no life in you. Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will \_\_\_\_\_ him up at the last day. For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.

And this life we receive by receiving His word, by doing those things which He has commanded. Thus, we become one with Him

**20) What did Paul tell us about beholding the Sacrifice of Our Lord?**

**Galatians 6:14** But God forbid that I should \_\_\_\_\_, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

Looking upon the crucified Redeemer, we more fully comprehend the magnitude and meaning of the sacrifice made by the Majesty of heaven. The plan of salvation is glorified before us, and the thought of Calvary awakens living and sacred emotions in our hearts. Praise to God and the Lamb will be in our hearts and on our lips; for pride and self-worship cannot flourish in the soul that keeps fresh in memory the scenes of Calvary.

**Can you see what Jesus tried to convey at the Communion?**

**Would you like to commit yourself to Him?**

**When is the time to remember?**