

10-MINUTE BIBLE LESSON Thursday Mark 14:12-26

Before watching the video: What do you already know about the events of Jesus' final week? This may include remembrances of

church services or Sunday School classes, or what you've seen portrayed on TV or in movies. Have you ever compared what you've been told or what you've seen with what the Gospels say? Keep what you've previously learned in mind for comparing as you move through this study.

Now read the passages twice. Take each one at a time, noticing every sentence and phrase. You may even want to start and stop the video to spend more time with each. What stands out to you?

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?" So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, "The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there." So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

When it was evening, he came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, "Surely, not I?" He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born."

While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. - *Mark* 14:12-26

After watching the video: What treasured experiences do you have of Maundy Thursday observances at church or elsewhere? What do you remember typically happens during those times?

Recall what the video said about the meal that Jesus and his disciples share. What surprised you, or what might you want to learn more about? How does it change or enrich your understanding of what we know today as the sacrament of communion?

Conclude in prayer. Thank God for blessings, ask forgiveness for wrongs done, request help for uncertainty. Close with "amen."