


The Last Supper

Luke 22:1 – 36


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In contrast to the leadership, the people are eager to learn

■ **Luke 21:37, 38**

Now during the day He was teaching in the temple, but at evening He would go out and spend the night on the mount that is called Olivet. And all the people would get up early in the morning to come to Him in the temple to listen to Him.



Israel's leadership wants to kill Jesus

■ **Luke 22:1, 2**

Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread, which is called the Passover, was approaching. The chief priests and the scribes were seeking how they might put Him to death; for they were afraid of the people.

Judas is in the grips of Satan

- **Luke 22:3, 4**

And Satan entered into Judas who was called Iscariot, belonging to the number of the twelve. And he went away and discussed with the chief priests and officers how he might betray Him to them.

Judas had information that would help them seize Jesus quietly

- **Luke 22:5, 6**

They were glad and agreed to give him money. So he consented, and began seeking a good opportunity to betray Him to them apart from the crowd.

The Last Supper is a Passover Meal

- **Luke 22:7, 8**

Then came the first day of Unleavened Bread on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. And Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, so that we may eat it."

Preparation for Passover

■ **Luke 22:9, 10**

They said to Him, “Where do You want us to prepare it?” And He said to them, “When you have entered the city, a man will meet you carrying a pitcher of water; follow him into the house that he enters.”

Jesus has supernatural knowledge

■ **Luke 22:11 - 13**

And you shall say to the owner of the house, “The Teacher says to you, ‘Where is the guest room in which I may eat the Passover with My disciples?’” And he will show you a large, furnished upper room; prepare it there. And they left and found everything just as He had told them; and they prepared the Passover.

A momentous occasion

■ **Luke 22:14**

When the hour had come, He reclined at the table, and the apostles with Him.

The Lord's Supper is a meal of eschatological expectation

■ **Luke 22:15, 16**

And He said to them, "I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I say to you, I shall never again eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God."

Expectation of an eschatological, Messianic banquet

■ **Luke 22:17, 18**

And when He had taken a cup and given thanks, He said, "Take this and share it among yourselves; for I say to you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine from now on until the kingdom of God comes."

Jesus institutes and ordains communion

■ **Luke 22:19**

And when He had taken some bread and given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me."

Betrayal over table fellowship

■ **Luke 22:20, 21**

And in the same way He took the cup after they had eaten, saying, “This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood. But behold, the hand of the one betraying Me is with Mine on the table.”

Divine sovereignty and human responsibility coexist

■ **Luke 22:22, 23**

“For indeed, the Son of Man is going as it has been determined; but woe to that man by whom He is betrayed!” And they began to discuss among themselves which one of them it might be who was going to do this thing.

Applications and Implications

- 1) The Judas episode is a warning to us against apostasy
- 2) Passover is interpreted and explained in terms of Jesus’ death
- 3) God’s sovereign purposes and human responsibility are compatible

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■ **Hebrews 3:12 - 14**

Take care, brethren, lest there should be in any one of you an evil, unbelieving heart, in falling away from the living God. But encourage one another day after day, as long as it is still called "Today," lest any one of you be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we have become partakers of Christ, if we hold fast the beginning of our assurance firm until the end;

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■ **Hebrews 3:15 - 17**

while it is said, "Today if you hear His voice, Do not harden your hearts, as when they provoked Me." For who provoked Him when they had heard? Indeed, did not all those who came out of Egypt led by Moses? And with whom was He angry for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness?

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■ **Hebrews 4:1, 2**

Therefore, let us fear lest, while a promise remains of entering His rest, any one of you should seem to have come short of it. For indeed we have had good news preached to us, just as they also; but the word they heard did not profit them, because it was not united by faith in those who heard.

2) Passover is interpreted and explained in terms of Jesus' death

■ **1Corinthians 5:7**

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