

Study Sheet  
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Luke 22:14-22; 39-46 Jesus Institutes The Lord's Supper and Prays in Garden of Gethsemane

Jesus desired to have Passover with disciples for the last time before His suffering. As He distributed the bread and wine He told them that the bread was His body and the wine His blood shed for them. He told them He would not eat this again until the Kingdom of God was fulfilled. Jesus told them His betrayer was at hand. Jesus prayed in Garden of Gethsemane, He asked if the cup could be removed, but prayed not His will but thine be done. After praying Jesus returned to find the disciples sleeping and scolded saying get up and stay awake, pray that you not fall into temptation.

### **DAY ONE: Luke 22-14-18 Jesus eats Passover with Disciples**

1. Comprehension: Why did Jesus desire to eat the Passover meal with His disciples and when did He say He would drink the fruit of the vine again with them?

Answer: To prepare them for His upcoming suffering. He had told them on several occasions about His death and resurrection (Luke 9:22,44, 18:31-33), and now the time had come for the fulfillment of God's plan of salvation. Jesus would not eat another Passover with them before His death and resurrection.

B. He would drink the fruit of the vine new with them in His Father's Kingdom Matthew 26:29

2. Analysis: Jesus said He would not eat the Passover with them until the Kingdom of God was fulfilled. What does this mean to you?

Answer: Jesus wanted them to know that God was ready to enact His sovereign plan of salvation in Jesus.

“When He took the cup of wine as part of the Passover ritual, He gave thanks for it and passed it to the disciples, reminding them once again that He would not drink of the fruit of the vine again until His Millennial Reign.” [Believer's Bible Commentary](#)

In addition Dr. Constable writes: Jesus announced that He would not eat (a strong negative statement in Greek: *ou me phago*) another Passover meal until what the Passover anticipated, namely, His own sacrificial death, had transpired (cf. 9:31).

“When His kingdom would arrive, the Passover would be fulfilled for God would have brought His people safely into their rest.” {Dr. Martin commentary}

He would eat with them again next in the kingdom, specifically at the messianic banquet at the beginning of the kingdom. This announcement probably contributed to the apostles' expectation that the kingdom would begin very soon

3. Knowledge: Can you recall a recent observance of the Lord's Supper that was meaningful to you and why?

### **DAY TWO: Luke 22:19-20 Jesus Institutes the Lord's Supper**

4. Understanding: Jesus in verses 19-20 describe Jesus' establishment of the Lord's Supper. He linked Himself directly to the Passover's bread and the cup of redemption as symbols of His saving grace. He would give His body as a perfect sacrifice for others. Why do you think remembrance is so important to the Lord's Supper?

Answer: “Luke stressed that Jesus gave His body and poured out His blood “for you.” However “in remembrance of me” encouraged the disciples to focus on the person of Jesus Christ and not just the benefits of His death for them.[546] Jesus *commanded* His disciples to remember Him. This is not optional for us “(cf. [1 Cor. 11:24-26](#)).

[Bible.org: Dr. Constable's Notes](#)

5. Evaluation: Explain what you understand about the New Covenant in Jesus' blood?

Answer: Jeremiah 31:31-34 Indeed, a time is coming,” says the Lord, “when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and Judah. **32** It will not be like the old covenant that I made with their ancestors when I delivered them from Egypt. For they violated that covenant, even though I was like a faithful husband to them,” says the Lord. **33** “But I will make a new covenant with the whole nation of Israel after I plant them back in the land,” says the Lord. “I will put my law within them and write it on their hearts and minds. I will be their God and they will be my people. **34** “People will no longer need to teach their neighbors and relatives to know me. For all of them, from the least important to the most important, will know me,” says the Lord. “For I will forgive their sin and will no longer call to mind the wrong they have done.

John McArthur The Final Passover The First Communion ‘This cup which is poured out for you is the New Covenant in My blood.’ “What happens here? I’ll tell you what happens. This is the end of the whole ceremonial law, all the dietary laws, all the Sabbath laws, in fact there’s no more Sabbath. Immediately after this, the church starts to meet...when? The first day of the week. This is the end of the ceremonial law. This is the end of all the ceremonies, all the rituals, all the rites, all those social things that separated the people, the Israelite people, from the Gentiles. They’re all gone. The moral law doesn’t change because God doesn’t change.”

“This is the end of all the rituals. This is the end of all the sacrifices. This is the end of all the altars, all the temple had to offer. This is the end of the priesthood. This is the end of the holy place. This is the end of the Holy of Holies and God would split the curtain from top to bottom and throw it wide open for anybody and everybody to walk in and out. This is the end of everything that they new in all of their religious life that was symbolic. No more ceremonies, no more rituals, no more priests, no more sacrifices, no more altars, no more temple, no more holy place, no more Holy of Holies, it’s all gone. He dies, He rises, they meet on Sunday and they are a priesthood and there is no more sacrifice ever until the Lord institutes some memorial sacrifices and the Passover in the Millennial Kingdom.”

### **DAY THREE: Luke 22:21-22 Jesus Must Suffer, Betrayed By a Disciple**

6. Jesus knew beforehand that Judas one of His twelve would betray Him (John 13:26-27). Judas was tempted by Satan and would stand accountable for his treachery Matthew 27:

Personal: Has greed or materialism ever negatively influenced your decisions or interfered with your relationship with Jesus and others?

Answer:

7. Analysis: The sufferings and death of the Lord Jesus were pre-determined, but Judas betrayed Him with the full consent of his will.

Why do you think Jesus said “But woe to that man by whom He is betrayed?”

Answer: Judas' actions could not be justified, Judas is responsible for his evil deeds. He had free will.... Also the Apostle John gave us an even deeper clue which tells us that Jesus knew that Judas would betray Him which further shows the deity of Jesus: John 17:12 When I was with them I kept them safe and watched over them in your name that you have given me. Not one of them was lost except the one destined for destruction, so that the scripture could be fulfilled.

### **DAY FOUR: Luke 22:39-42 Jesus and Disciples to Mount of Olives, Is There Another Way**

8. Personal: Jesus told His disciples to pray that they enter not into temptation. In what ways have you found the discipline of prayer to help you resist temptation? Luke 22:40

Answer:

9. Knowledge: How did Jesus show His submission to the Father despite His great stress?

Answer: “Then Jesus left the disciples and went further into the garden where He prayed alone. His prayer was that **if** the Father were willing, this cup might pass from Him; nevertheless He wanted the will of God to be done, not His own. We understand this prayer to mean: If there is any other way by which sinners can be saved than by My going to the cross, reveal that way now. The heavens were silent, because there was no other way. “ Believer's Bible Commentary vs 41, 42

10. Personal: When have you fallen into temptation because your prayer life faltered? 22:45  
Would you be willing to share the results of that failure?

Answer:

## **DAY FIVE: Luke 22:43-46 Jesus Under Great Stress, Prays, Not Fall Into Temptation**

11. Knowledge: Jesus tells the disciples to pray so that they will not fall into temptation, but they fall asleep. Why did the disciples fall asleep when Jesus needed them to be praying?

Answer: “When Jesus returned to His disciples, they were sleeping, not from indifference, but rather from sorrowful exhaustion. Once again He urged them to rise and pray, because the crisis hour was drawing near, and they would be tempted to deny Him before the authorities.” [Believer's Bible Commentary](#)

12. How can you as a believer today demonstrate gratitude when we obey Jesus' instructions to pray and when we refuse to do anything that will disappoint Him, give examples.

Answer: Gratitude can be shown by remembering at the next Lord's Supper Jesus' willingness to suffer for you and all mankind.

13. Application: How will you put into action what you have learned from God's Word about Jesus' suffering on your behalf?

B. Jesus stressed the importance of prayer to His disciples, and us, but they fell asleep and in their disobedience they disappointed Jesus, we tend to disappoint Jesus also. Give an example of when you have disappointed Jesus by falling asleep when Jesus said you should be praying.

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