

February 7, 2016
The Bridge Bible Fellowship
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Mark 14:12-26

“The Passover”

- I. The Title – 1:1 – “The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.”
- II. The Prologue – 1:2-13
- III. The Body: The Public Demonstration of Who Jesus Is and What He Came to Do – 1:14-15:41
 - A. The Galilean Ministry: **Who** Jesus Is (the Christ the Son of God) – 1:14-9:50
 - B. The Judean Ministry: **What** Jesus Came To Do – 10:1-15:41
 - 1. On the Way to Jerusalem (10:1-52)
 - 2. At the Temple in Jerusalem (11:1 - 13:37)
 - 3. In and Around Jerusalem (14:1 - 15:41)
 - a. Plot – 14:1-11
 - b. Passover – 14:12-26 (cf. Mt. 26:17-29; Lk. 22:7-23; Jn. 13:21-30)**

1) Preparation – v. 12-16

2) Revelation – v. 17-21

3) Transformation – v. 22-26

So What?

Discussion & Application:

1. When Mary broke the alabaster vial of perfume and poured it all out on Jesus, what was she doing? What was she sacrificing? What was she trusting in for her future?
2. Read Mark 14:12-16. What does this tell you about Jesus? What attributes are on display? Was He sovereign over this situation?
3. Read Mark 14:17-21. How shocking would this be for the disciples? Did they have any idea it was Judas? What is the significance of “eating” with someone? How painful would this betrayal be to Jesus?
4. How does this passage help you with the seemingly contradictory concepts of God’s sovereignty and man’s responsibility?
5. How familiar would the disciples have been with the Passover meal? How shocking would it have been to them when Jesus said the bread was now representative of His body and the cup was representative of His blood?
6. What does the Old Testament say about the New Covenant? What are the benefits as compared to the Mosaic Covenant?
7. In modern Passover meals, what is afikomen? How does it picture Jesus?
8. Read Exodus 6:6-8. God makes four “I will” promises to Israel that are related to the 4 cups of the Passover meal: 1) Cup of Sanctification – “I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians”; 2) Cup of Judgment or Deliverance – “I will deliver you from slavery to them”; 3) Cup of Redemption – “I will redeem you with an outstretched arm”; 4) Cup of Praise or Restoration – “I will take you to be My people, and I will be your God.”
Cup #3 (redemption) is taken in Mark 14:23-24. After that they would pour the 4th cup but would wait until after they sang a hymn and prayed. Why doesn’t the account tell about drinking the 4th cup? Why did Jesus say He wouldn’t drink it again with them until He did so in the Kingdom?
9. Note that the commitment of Jesus to be our Passover Lamb is in the middle of another Markan sandwich (14:17-21 and 14:27-31). What does this tell us about God’s grace? What do we celebrate in the Lord’s Supper? How faithful is our God? What is the right response to God’s amazing grace?