**PASSOVER / FEAST OF UNLEAVENED BREAD**

**22**Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread, which is called the Passover, drew near. **2**And the chief priests and scribes were seeking how to kill Jesus, for they feared the people. **3**Then Satan entered into Judas, called Iscariot, who was one of the twelve. **4**He went and discussed with the chief priests and captains how he might betray Him to them. **5**They were glad and agreed to give him money. **6**He fully consented and searched for an opportunity to betray Him to them apart from the crowds. **7**Then the Day of Unleavened Bread came, when the Passover lamb must be killed. **8**He sent Peter and John, saying, “Go and prepare the Passover for us to eat it.” **9**They said to Him, “Where will You have us prepare it?” **10**He said to them, “Now, as you enter the city, a man carrying a pitcher of water will meet you there. Follow him into the house which he enters, **11**and say to the owner of the house, ‘The Teacher says to you, “Where is the guest room where I may eat the Passover with My disciples?” ’ **12**He will show you a large furnished upper room. Prepare there.” **13**They went and found it as He had told them. So they prepared the Passover. **14**When the hour had come, He and the twelve apostles with Him sat down. **15**And He said to them, “I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. **16**For I tell you, I will never eat it again until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.” **17**And He took the cup and gave thanks and said, “Take this and divide it among yourselves. **18**For I tell you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.” **19**Then He took the bread, and when He had 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.” **20**In like manner, He took the cup after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood which is shed for you. **21**But see the hand of him who betrays Me is with Me at the table. **22**Indeed, the Son of Man goes as it has been determined. But woe to that man by whom He is betrayed!” **23**They began to inquire among themselves which of them it was who would do this. **24**There was also rivalry among them concerning which of them was to be counted the greatest. **25**He said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those who exercise authority over them are called benefactors. **26**But you are not so. Instead, let him who is greatest among you be as the younger, and he who rules as he who serves. **27**For who is greater: he who sits at the table, or he who serves? Is it not he who sits at the table? But I am among you as He who serves. **28**You are those who have continued with Me in My trials. **29**And I appoint to you a kingdom as My Father has appointed one to Me, **30**so that you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.” **31**Then the Lord said, “Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to have you to sift you as wheat. **32**But I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have repented, strengthen your brothers.” **33**He said to Him, “Lord, I am ready to go with You to prison and to death.” **34**He said, “I tell you, Peter, before the rooster crows today, you will deny three times that you know Me.” (Luke 22:1-34)

**18**When Jesus had spoken these words, He went out with His disciples across the Kidron Valley. There was a garden which He and His disciples entered. **2**Now Judas, who betrayed Him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with His disciples. **3**So Judas, having taken a detachment of soldiers and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees, came there with lanterns and torches and weapons. **4**Jesus therefore, knowing everything that would happen to Him, went forward and said to them, “Whom do you seek?” **5**They answered Him, “Jesus of Nazareth.” Jesus said to them, “I am He.” And Judas, who betrayed Him, was standing with them. **6**When He said, “I am He,” they drew back and fell to the ground. **7**Again Jesus asked them, “Whom do you seek?” They said, “Jesus of Nazareth.” **8**Jesus answered, “I told you that I am He. So then let these go their way if you are looking for Me.” **9**This was to fulfill the word which He had spoken, “I have lost none of those whom You have given Me.” **10**Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest’s servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant’s name was Malchus. **11**Then Jesus said to Peter, “Put your sword into the sheath. Shall I not drink the cup which My Father has given Me?” **12**Then the detachment of soldiers and the commander and the officers of the Jews arrested Jesus and bound Him. **13**First they led Him to Annas, for he was the father-in-law to Caiaphas, who was the high priest that year. **14**Now it was Caiaphas who advised the Jews that it was expedient that one man should die for the people. **15**Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. That disciple was known to the high priest and went with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest. **16**But Peter stood at the door outside. Then the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the doorkeeper and brought Peter in. **17**Then the servant girl, being the doorkeeper, said to Peter, “Are you not also one of this Man’s disciples?” He said, “I am not.” **18**Now the servants and officers stood there and warmed themselves, having made a fire of coals, for it was cold. Peter also stood with them and warmed himself. **19**The high priest then asked Jesus about His disciples and His teaching. **20**Jesus answered him, “I spoke openly to the world. I always taught in the synagogue and in the temple, where the Jews always meet, and I said nothing in secret. **21**Why do you ask Me? Ask those who heard Me and what I have said to them. Certainly they know what I said.” **22**When He had said this, one of the officers who stood by struck Jesus with the palm of his hand, saying, “Is that how You answer the high priest?” **23**Jesus answered him, “If I have spoken evil, bear witness of the evil, but if well, why do you strike me?” **24**Then Annas sent Him bound to Caiaphas the high priest. **25**Meanwhile Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. So they said to him, “Are you not also one of His disciples?” He denied it and said, “I am not!” **26**One of the servants of the high priest, being a relative of the man whose ear Peter cut off, said, “Did I not see you in the garden with Him?” **27**Peter then denied it again, and immediately a rooster crowed. **39**“But you have a custom, that I should release someone to you at the Passover. Do you therefore want me to release to you the King of the Jews?” **40**They all shouted again, “Not this Man, but Barabbas!” Now Barabbas was a robber. **19**Then Pilate took Jesus and flogged Him. **2**The soldiers twisted a crown of thorns and put it on His head, and they put a purple robe on Him. **3**They said, “Hail, King of the Jews!” And they hit Him with their hands. **4**Again Pilate went out and said to them, “Look, I am bringing Him out to you, that you may know that I find no guilt in Him.” **5**Then Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, “Here is the Man!” **6**When the chief priests and officers saw Him, they cried out, “Crucify Him! Crucify Him!” Pilate said to them, “Take Him yourselves and crucify Him, for I find no guilt in Him.” **7**The Jews answered him, “We have a law, and by our law He ought to die, because He made Himself the Son of God!” **8**When Pilate heard these words, he was more afraid, **9**and entered the Praetorium again, and said to Jesus, “Where are You from?” But Jesus gave him no answer. **10**Pilate said to Him, “Are You not speaking to me? Do You not know that I have power to release You, and power to crucify You?” **11**Jesus answered, “You would have no power at all over Me, unless it were given to you from above. Therefore he who handed Me over to you has the greater sin.” **12**From then on, Pilate tried to release Him. But the Jews cried out, “If you release this Man, you are not Caesar’s friend. Whoever makes himself a king speaks against Caesar!” **13**When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Pavement (which in Hebrew is Gabbatha). **14**It was the Day of Preparation of the Passover and about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, “Here is your King!” **15**But they shouted, “Away with Him! Away with Him! Crucify Him!” Pilate said to them, “Shall I crucify your King?” The chief priests answered, “We have no king but Caesar!” **16**Then he handed Him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus and led Him away. **17**He went out, carrying His own cross, to a place called The Place of a Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. **18**There they crucified Him, and two others with Him, one on either side, and Jesus in the middle. **19**Pilate wrote a title and put it on the cross. The writing was: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS. **20**Many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city. And it was written in Hebrew, in Greek, and in Latin. **21**The chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, “Do not write, ‘The King of the Jews,’ but ‘He said, I am King of the Jews.’ ” **22**Pilate answered, “What I have written, I have written.” **23**When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took His garments and divided them into four parts, a part for each soldier; and also His tunic. Now the tunic was seamless, woven from top to bottom. **24**So they said to one another, “Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to decide whose it shall be.” This happened to fulfill the Scripture which says: “They divided My garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots.” Therefore the soldiers did these things. **25**But standing by the cross of Jesus were His mother, and His mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. **26**When Jesus saw His mother and the disciple whom He loved standing nearby, He said to His mother, “Woman, here is your son.” **27**Then He said to the disciple, “Here is your mother.” From that time, this disciple took her to his own home. **28**After this, Jesus, knowing that everything was now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said, “I thirst.” **29**A bowl full of sour wine was placed there. So they put a sponge full of sour wine on hyssop and held it to His mouth. **30**When Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, “It is finished.” And He bowed His head and gave up His spirit. **31**Since it was the Day of Preparation, to prevent bodies from remaining on the cross on the Sabbath day (for that Sabbath day was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. **32**Therefore the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who was crucified with Him. **33**But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was dead already, they did not break His legs. **34**However, one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out. **35**He who saw it has testified, and his testimony is true. He knows that he is telling the truth, that you may believe. **36**For these things happened so that the Scripture should be fulfilled, “Not one of His bones shall be broken,”[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+18-19&version=MEV#fen-MEV-26862b)] **37**and again another Scripture says, “They shall look on Him whom they have pierced.”[[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+18-19&version=MEV#fen-MEV-26863c)] **38**After this, Joseph of Arimathea, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus. Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took away His body. **39**Nicodemus, who at first came to Jesus by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, weighing about seventy-five pounds.[[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+18-19&version=MEV#fen-MEV-26865d)] **40**Then they took the body of Jesus and wrapped it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews. **41**Now in the place where He was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden was a new tomb in which no one had ever been buried. **42**So because of the Jewish Day of Preparation, and since the tomb was nearby, they buried Jesus there (John 18-19).

**26**As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes. **27**Therefore whoever eats this bread and drinks this cup of the Lord unworthily will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. **28**Let a man examine himself, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. **29**For he who eats and drinks unworthily, eats and drinks damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord’s body. **30**For this reason many are weak and unhealthy among you, and many die. **31**If we would judge ourselves, we would not be judged (I Corinthians 11:26-31).

**23**I have received of the Lord that which I delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus, on the night in which He was betrayed, took bread. **24**When He had given thanks, He broke it and said, “Take and eat. This is My body which is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.”[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=I+Corinthians+11%3A23-25&version=MEV#fen-MEV-28625a)] **25**In the same manner He took the cup after He had supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=I+Corinthians+11%3A23-25&version=MEV#fen-MEV-28626b)]  (I Corinthians 11:23-25)