

Read Mark 14:18-26

18 As they were at the table eating, Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, one of you eating with me here will betray me." **19** Greatly distressed, each one asked in turn, "Am I the one?" **20** He replied, "It is one of you twelve who is eating from this bowl with me.

21 For the Son of Man must die, as the Scriptures declared long ago. But how terrible it will be for the one who betrays him. It would be far better for that man if he had never been born!"

22 As they were eating, Jesus took some bread and blessed it. Then he broke it in pieces and gave it to the disciples, saying, "Take it, for this is my body."

23 And he took a cup of wine and gave thanks to God for it. He gave it to them, and they all drank from it.

24 And he said to them, "This is my blood, which confirms the covenant between God and his people. It is poured out as a sacrifice for many. **25** I tell you the truth, I will not drink wine again until the day I drink it new in the Kingdom of God."

26 Then they sang a hymn and went out to the Mount of Olives.

What did Jesus say when He and His disciples were eating at the table (v. 18)? One of you is going to betray Me.

What does betray mean? Hand Him over to the bad guys. Kinda' like tattle tailing.

How did the disciples react (v. 19)? They were upset and they wondered which one of them He was talking about.

How did Jesus identify His betrayer (v. 20)? Read the account in John 13:26. **What did Jesus say would happen to His betrayer (v. 21)** He would be punished so terribly that he would wish he had never been born.

What was Jesus doing in v. 22? He was introducing His disciples to the ordinance of Communion by breaking and eating the bread. This was the first-ever Communion.

What does the bread represent? His body which was beaten up so badly on the Cross. Jesus broke the bread just as His body was broken.

What was Jesus doing in vv. 23-24? Drinking the Communion cup of wine.

What does the cup represent? The shed blood of Jesus when He was on the Cross. And the New Covenant.

Why was it necessary for Jesus to shed His blood? So our sins could be forgiven (Hebrews 9:22). The blood of Jesus washes away our sin (1 John 1:7). Our faith in His shed blood serves as the basis for the forgiveness of our sins.

Have you placed your faith (believed) in Jesus Christ to have your sins forgiven or are you just trying hard to be a good enough person so God will like you and forgive your sins?

What did Jesus say in v. 25? This is the last time I will drink wine with you until we are together in heaven.

Where did they go next (v. 26)? To the Mount of Olives.

What garden was there? Gethsemane. Where Jesus would be arrested.