

The Blood of the Covenant

Mark 14:12-26

Key Verse: 24

1. What did the Festival of Unleavened bread commemorate? How did the Jews celebrate the Passover and how did Jesus prepare for it? (12-16; Dt 16:1-4) What was significant about this particular Passover? (c.f. Jn 11:50)
2. What shocking news did Jesus share with his disciples? (17-18; c.f. Ps 41:9) How did the disciples react? (19) Who would the betrayer be? (20-21) What is so painful about betrayal? What was Jesus' view of this betrayal? How do we betray Jesus in small ways?
3. What did Jesus say as he gave them the bread? (22) What did he mean by this? How can we partake of Jesus' body today?
4. What did Jesus do next? (23) What does the cup signify? What does "blood of the covenant" mean? (24) How is the new covenant different from the old? (Ex 24:8; Heb 9:14) Why did Jesus say "poured out for many"? How does verse 25 give us hope?