

OurMDC.org (925) 354-1096 1641 Bixler Road, **Discovery Bay** California 94505

Program for Sunday, November 5, 2023 Please welcome Tim and Jana as our worship music leaders this morning!

Call to Worship: Jesus, You're the Sweetest Name of All

Heart of Worship Here I Am to Worship *Favorite* One

Welcome, announcements, and prayer:

- Welcome and Thanks for joining us today!!!!
- The Weekly Bible Study is meeting this week. We will be continuing #8, which is on the • back table. We will meet in the green residential house at the property at 1641 Bixler Road, on Wednesday at 6:00 PM, or via Zoom. Link to be emailed.
- November 19th (Sunday before Thanksgiving) is a Potluck after the service. •
- A Thanksgiving letter from Pastor Larry has been mailed. It also includes a short(!) • questionnaire. Please return in the self-addressed stamped envelope at your earliest convenience.
- The ladies had a great time vesterday morning at breakfast at LaFuente Restaurant in • Brentwood.
- The gentlemen had a great time at breakfast vesterday morning at Jalisco's Restaurant • in Brentwood.
- We have another fundraiser. We are collecting sneakers in any (yes, any!) condition. • There is a garbage can lined with a black bag in the carport of the green house on the property. Please put your sneakers in there.
- The "GoFundMe" fundraiser website for MDC has been updated for the Property • Building Project. It is going well. If you're interested in donating please go to our website: www.OurMDC.org and click on the link. You can also pick up a few business cards at the back table with the QR code to share with family & friends.
- **Please pick up Connect Cards/Envelopes** in the back for offerings, prayer requests and • place it in one of the offering boxes. **Please note**, for pledge card donations, please mark your gift "BF" or "Building Fund."
- Thank you for your continued financial support of MDC.
 - Tithes & Offerings Budget (need):

Tithes & Offerings Budget (need):	\$89,712
Actual Tithes and Offerings received:	<u>\$67,803</u>

Net Shortfall: \$-21,909

- **Please contact us** for any needs, suggestions, or prayer requests:
 - Pastor Larry Quinnell PastorLarry@OurMDC.org
 - General Info. Info@OurMDC.org
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Message: The New King commemorates the Last Passover, Initiates the First Communion. Communion

Assurance/Sending: Wonderful

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Message Notes:

Friday Devotional: Romans 14:13 Romans 14:13 Therefore let us not judge one another anymore, but rather determine this — not to put an obstacle or a stumbling block in a brother's way.

We are changed! We can be sensitive.

Summary of Mark 14:1-11

- Chief Priests and scribes seeking to seize Jesus to kill him (but nor during the festival).
- While in Bethany, woman anoints with oil.
- Some protest, perfume should be sold and money given to the poor.
- Jesus commends the woman.
- Judas Iscariot goes to the chief priests and bargains for the betrayal of Jesus.

Two Anointings? Three? When?

- When you hit something that you do not understand as you read scripture, put a pin in it.
- Ask God to help you with it. Be patient.
- Claim His promise that the Holy Spirit will guide you into all truth.
- What I do trust and know tells me to trust that which I do not understand... yet.

Takeaways:

- Kingdom values: Widow who gave all she had to live on.
- Kingdom values: Mary gives a valuable vial of perfume.
 - Her aspirations. Her security. Her future. Her respectability.
- Value sacrificed in worship is never wasted.
- In that quiet place with God, where would God say I am?
- Do what you can. Be content with that.
- Let God do what He wants with what you do.
- Establish a personal benevolence fund.

Mark 14.12-26 On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was being sacrificed, His disciples said to Him, "Where do You want us to go and prepare for You to eat the Passover?" 13 And He sent two of His disciples and said to them, "Go into the city, and a man will meet you carrying a pitcher of water; follow him; 14 and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher says, "Where is My guest room in which I may eat the Passover with My disciples?"' 15 "And he himself will show you a large upper room furnished and ready; prepare for us there." 16 The disciples went out and came to the city, and found it just as He had told them; and they prepared the Passover. 17 When it was evening He came with the twelve. 18 As they were reclining at the table and eating, Jesus said, "Truly I say to you that one of you will betray Me — one who is eating with Me." 19 They began to be grieved and to say to Him one by one, "Surely not I?" 20 And He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who

dips with Me in the bowl. 21 "For the Son of Man is to go just as it is written of Him; but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been good for that man if he had not been born."

22 While they were eating, He took some bread, and after a blessing He broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is My body." 23 And when He had taken a cup and given thanks, He gave it to them, and they all drank from it. 24 And He said to them, "This is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. 25 "Truly I say to you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

26 After singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Set up for Commemorating Passover

- Has to be inside the Jerusalem city walls.
- Went from being a meal about being on the run to a long meal where history and conversations are shared.
- Usually the head, of the household or group of friends, led the meal.
- Peter and John are sent ahead to get things ready (Luke 22:8).
- They go to an unknown place.
 - Instructions: meet an unknown man with a jar of water, follow him.
 - Ask for the use of the room. Upper rooms are common, and likely rented out for feasts.
- Why the secrecy (no mention of Peter and John coming back to tell)?
 - Crowds, Judas, Romans, Religious leaders.

Commemorating Passover in Jesus' Day:

- A whole lamb was eaten (restriction from anything being left over). No bones were broken. The rule of thumb was 10-20 men for 1 lamb.
- Start with a general prayer of thanks to God (preservation, protection, deliverance, goodness, God's blessing).
- Washing of hands and feet (functional and ceremonial).
 - Affirms the need for cleansing, purity and holiness.
- First cup of watered-down wine (2 to 7 parts of water for 1 part of wine); Cup of Holiness
- Eat bitter herbs (symbolizing the slavery in Egypt).
- Pieces of bread dipped in a paste of fruits and nuts ground together.
- There is the singing of Hallel (Psalms 113-118), specifically 113 and 114. Psalms of praise and thanks.
- Second cup of diluted wine; Cup where Passover story is told.
 - The father asks questions of the children as to what each part of the meal means. The father or the leader explains the meaning of the Passover meal.
- The family or group eats the lamb and unleavened bread.
- They drink the third cup of diluted wine; Cup of Blessing.

- They sing more of the Hallel; Psalms 115 to 118.
- Then there is usually a fourth cup of diluted wine; Cup of Praise.

Commemorating Passover with Jesus:

- Because Jesus obeyed the Law, He would have celebrated Passover every year.
- Jesus knows that He is being sought, but Jesus has an agenda to cover between this meal and the arrest. Jesus has an impacted schedule. But he says, "I have earnestly desired to share this Passover with you."
- There are final teachings about servant leadership (likely after they argue about who will be the greatest), the role of the Holy Spirit, His High Priestly Prayer, and confronting both Peter and Judas.
- Jesus knows He is the Passover Lamb that will resolve the inadequacy of animal blood for the covering of human sin. The need for the Old Testament Passover celebration will no longer exist once Jesus has died and risen. Note that Jesus says He will not drink nor eat like that until the Kingdom is fulfilled.

Takeaways:

- Betrayal was Judas Iscariot's fault. Jesus Christ on the cross was my fault. God is sovereign and ordained that it would happen.
- I should never be so arrogant as to believe that I will never betray Jesus Christ.
- Jesus Christ fulfilled all of the requirements of Passover, pleasing God. If I am trusting anything other than the finished work of Jesus Christ, I am trusting amiss.
- Don't always trust tradition for biblical interpretation.
- Jesus Christ has opened the way for a personal relationship with God through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. God wants us to experience that.
- I can believe that I am completely, irrevocably forgiven. I can be saved.
- The symbols of a believer's redemption are in Communion.

Communion in Mark:

Mark 14:22 While they were eating, He took some bread, and after a blessing He broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is My body."

Mark 14:23-25 And when He had taken a cup and given thanks, He gave it to them, and they all drank from it. 24 And He said to them, "This is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many." 25 "Truly I say to you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

You are not alone. God is with you! MDC wants to help. We are here for you.

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