

Jesus' Last Supper

**Matt. 26; Mark 14; Luke 22;
John 13**

What is Justification?

Justification is when God declares that we are forgiven of sin and are made righteous.

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

-2 Corinthians 5:21

Story Point:

Jesus helped His disciples remember that He was going to die for their sins and rise again to give them new life.



PREPARE HEARTS

- ☐ Starter Activity - Welcome and Question of the Day
- ☐ **11:00 - Kids Worship**



ACTIVATE HEARTS

- ☐ Lesson Review - Jesus' Last Supper
- ☐ Discussion Questions
- ☐ Group Activity: Supper Symbols



ENGAGE HEARTS

- ☐ Group Craft: Lord's Supper Craft
- ☐ Share and Care Prayer Time
- ☐ Group Activity: Prayer Books

SHEPHERD GUIDE

It's common for big events to be accompanied by meals of celebration and remembrance. From Thanksgiving and Christmas feasts to July 4th cookouts, community meals can serve as memory-forming moments.

In Scripture, the Passover meal served a similar purpose. It was the annual retelling of Israel's defining story: the night God passed over His people, delivered them from slavery, and continued to form them into His covenant nation. God designed Passover to be a remembrance that didn't merely recall the past but drew its power forward into the present. Every lamb slain, every bitter herb tasted, every retold story was a declaration: We are the people God rescued.

For generations, Israelites passed down the purpose and practices of Passover. Jesus and His disciples would have eaten this meal in a particular way their entire lives. But during Holy Week, Jesus sat down at a Passover table to eat with the disciples and gave the meal an even deeper meaning.

When Jesus took the bread and said, "This is My body," and about the cup, "This is My blood," Jesus revealed that all along, the Passover lamb had been pointing to Him. Paul would later say, "Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed" (1 Corinthians 5:7).

Jesus had come to deliver His people, but this deliverance was not from Pharaoh but from sin—not from external oppression but internal bondage. The language Jesus used, "poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins," echoes the new covenant promises of Jeremiah 31, when God promised a new heart, a new relationship, and a new covenant written not on tablets of stone but on human hearts.

This week, help kids see how the church celebrates the Lord's Supper to remember that Jesus came to be the Passover Lamb.

REMINDER: Our VIP meeting is from 10:20 - 10:30 in C1. Your supply bin will be in your classroom.

MAIN TAKEAWAYS: We want our kids to:

- *KNOW that Jesus died for their sins and rose again to give them new life.
- *BE thankful for Jesus and trust in Him.
- *REMEMBER Jesus by serving others and telling them about Him.



As you arrive and children come and go - Welcome them by name and invite them to play with you and the others. Use this time to get to know your kids - ask them about their week, about their likes and dislikes and about their school, family and friends.

Ways to connect - Play a game from the closet, color or draw together, build with legos/blocks, etc.

When most kids have arrived for 2nd service (by 10:50ish), ask them to clean up the toys and find a seat at one of the tables to begin the class.

**Option - Pen Pal Kit!!*



PREPARE HEARTS

Question of the Day:

Starter Activity

Welcome and Question of the Day

Have you ever had a meal that was really special, like a birthday dinner or a holiday feast?

You probably remember who was there, what you ate, and how it made you feel. The meal we're learning about today was even more special. It's called the last supper or the Lord's Supper. At this meal, Jesus gave His followers a way to remember His sacrifice. He took bread and a cup and used them to show what would soon happen, His body would be broken, and His blood would be shed to forgive our sins.

Ask kids to think about and then discuss which of the following options they think is better. Lead kids to raise their hands and share the reason why they chose each particular option. Consider using the following examples:

- Cotton candy or pizza
- Tag or hide and seek
- Video games or playing sports outside
- Getting presents or giving presents
- Going out to eat or eating at home
- Water parks or theme parks

SAY: These options were based on personal choice. None of them are really better than the other. However, the Bible teaches us that God does have something better for us. The story of the Bible reveals God's plan to send a better Prophet, Priest, and King who would save people from their sins. Today, we will learn that Jesus shared a meal with His disciples and revealed that He had come to make a new and better covenant.



**KIDS
WORSHIP**

11:00

Kids Worship for Pre-K - 4th Grade in LG2.



ACTIVE MINDS

You can use the REVIEW VIDEO on your TV and / or use this lesson as a review of what was taught 1st service.

Jesus' Last Supper

Bibles,
Review Video –
Bible story on TV

Open your Bible to Matthew 26:26-30. You can use the Kids Sermon Outline as you go through the story.

KIDS SERMON OUTLINE:

Jesus commanded His followers to remember His sacrifice. (Luke 22:19): At the last supper, Jesus gave His disciples bread and a cup as symbols of His body and blood. He told them, “Do this in remembrance of Me.” This reminds us to never forget the great love and sacrifice Jesus made for our forgiveness. Remembering Jesus isn’t just about the Lord’s Supper; it’s about living each day in a way that honors Him. When we thank Him, serve others, and show love, we demonstrate that we haven’t forgotten what He’s done.

The bread and the cup represent Jesus’ body and blood. (Matt. 26:26-28): Jesus used simple items— bread and wine—to show what was about to happen. The bread represented His body that would be broken for us, and the cup represented His blood poured out to forgive our sins.

Jesus’ death and resurrection make us right with God. (Rom. 5:8-10): Through His sacrifice, Jesus took the punishment we deserve. When we trust Him, we are justified— declared forgiven and made righteous before God. His death brings us new life that lasts forever

One night, Jesus gathered with His twelve disciples to eat a special meal in celebration of the Passover. Before they ate, Jesus washed the disciples’ feet to show them the importance of serving others.

Then, they all gathered together around a table. Jesus knew that soon He would die on the cross to save people from their sins.

As they ate, Jesus took some bread, thanked God, broke it into pieces, and gave it to His friends. He said, “This bread is like My body, which will be given for you. Whenever you eat this bread, remember Me.”

Then Jesus took a cup, gave thanks, and shared it with the disciples. He said, “This cup is like My blood, which will be poured out for many people to forgive their sins. Every time you drink this, remember Me.”

Jesus also told His friends that one of them would soon betray Him. The disciples were surprised and wondered who it could be.

After the meal, Jesus talked to His disciples about what was about to happen. Peter said, “Even if everyone else leaves You, I will never leave You.” But Jesus told him, “Before the rooster crows, you will say three times that you don’t know Me.”

Jesus wanted His disciples to be ready for the hard times ahead, but He also wanted them to know that He was going to rise again. Jesus showed them how much He loved them, even though He knew He would soon be killed.

CHRIST CONNECTION

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Jesus knew He was going to die, but He also knew His death would bring life and forgiveness for everyone who believes in Him. The disciples didn't understand everything that night, but later, after Jesus rose again, they realized the full meaning of His words.

Every time believers take the Lord's Supper, we remember the same truth: Jesus gave His life so we could be made right with God. That's justification, when God declares that we are forgiven of sin and are made righteous through Jesus. Jesus took the punishment we deserve so we can be forgiven and live forever with God. When we trust Jesus, we can remember His great love every time we celebrate the Lord's Supper.



Discussion

Discussion questions listed here

Ask the following questions. Lead the group to discuss.

How has Jesus' blood paid for our sins? Help the kids define atonement: that Jesus' death has made the way for people to be made right with God. Remind kids that Jesus was sinless. His blood was the perfect sacrifice that covers sins. Through His death, believers are made righteous before God the Father. Because of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross, believers can have a right relationship with God. (Option: Choose a volunteer to read 1 Peter 2:24.)

What does it mean for believers to live under the new covenant? Remind kids that under the old covenant, the Israelites' relationship with God depended on their obedience to the Law. No one is able to perfectly follow God's law; therefore He sent Jesus to live obediently and die for our sins. When we trust in Jesus, God places His law on our hearts and sends us the gift of the Holy Spirit. (Option: Choose a volunteer to read Hebrews 9:15.)

How does remembering Jesus' death and resurrection give us hope? Explain that like the disciples, we will face trouble in this world. By remembering Jesus' sacrifice, believers can be reminded of the hope they have through salvation. Death has been defeated, and Christians have been promised new life with Jesus forever! (Option: Choose a volunteer to read 1 Peter 1:3.)



Supper Symbols

- Cup
- Plate
- Fork
- Spoon
- Napkin

Instruct kids to stand. Make sure there is enough room for kids to move around a bit.

Display the five objects. Explain that each object will be a reminder of something. Hold up the objects one at a time. Identify what action the object should remind kids of, and then allow kids to practice the action. When you set the object down, kids should stand still.

After reviewing the actions, hold objects up one at a time in random order. Kids should react accordingly. Vary the pace and the order of the objects for an added challenge.

- Cup—Clap three times.
- Plate—Stomp three times.
- Fork—Wiggle your arms.
- Spoon—Do a jumping jack.
- Napkin—Turn around.

SAY: At the Passover meal, the Jews used special foods and drink to help them remember the first Passover when God rescued His people from the Egyptians. God brought them out of slavery and into a new life of freedom. Jesus and the disciples ate the first Lord's Supper at Passover.

This was Jesus' last supper before He died on the cross. Jesus died to rescue people from slavery to sin and give us a new life of freedom with Him. Believers share the Lord's Supper to remember Jesus' life and death and resurrection and to proclaim Him until He returns.



Lord's Supper Craft

- Brown paper bags
- White paper bags

Pass out a brown and white paper bag to each child. Explain that they are going to be making bread and a cup out of the bags to help us remember Jesus' last supper.

First, make the loaf of bread. Making the bag wrinkly looks best. To achieve this look, instruct the kids to open their bag and wad it up as much as they want.

Next, open the bag back up and begin to roll the open top edges inside. This is one point where younger kids may need a little help. Just keep rolling until the bag is completely rolled into an oval. You can tweak the shape a bit as needed. It should naturally work itself into a bread shape.

For the cup: Open up the bag. Grab the bag just above the bottom and squeeze it together, leaving the bottom flat. Then twist the bag upward until your cup stem is the desired length. It will already be looking like a cup!

The twist should stay in place pretty well. No tape required! Then, roll the top edge in just a little and smooth the wrinkles until you are satisfied with the shape/look of your cup.

As you are working on making these objects together, talk about how these elements are symbols the church uses to remind us of Jesus' death and resurrection. Explain how the bread is a symbol of Jesus' body and the grape juice is a symbol of Jesus' blood shed on the cross. Tell kids that the Lord's Supper is a practice in the church for anyone who has trusted in Jesus as their Lord and Savior.





Share and Care Prayer

Spend some time as a class sharing about:

- Our Global Partner Family of the Month (**The Smith Family**)
- Specific prayer requests from any of the kids about something going on in their own lives.

Have the class sit in a circle as you share and care for one another's needs. Ask for and share requests with one another. Review and follow up with any prayer requests from the chain made the week before. Use the Global Partner of the Month spotlight sheet (In the Pen Pal Kit) to talk about prayer requests from the Smith Family



Prayer Books

- Bibles
- Prayer booklets
- Markers
- Colored Pencils
- Crayons

Distribute paper booklets and markers.

Encourage the kids to decorate the cover of their prayer books and write "My Prayer Book" on it. Write the following reference on the board and have them look it up in their Bibles. - 1 Chronicles 16:12.

1 Chronicles 16:12 - Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgements he pronounced.

Invite them to spend a few minutes writing down some prayer requests or drawing pictures of prayer requests that they have on some of the inside pages.

SAY: I encourage you to keep writing in your prayer book over the coming weeks. When God answers your prayers, you can record those too! This will give you something to look back on to remember God's faithfulness to you. Jesus gave us the gift of the Lord's Supper as a way to remember what He's done for us. Why do you think it's good to remember these things? [Allow responses.] We too can remember and be thankful for what God has done for us.