

LUKE 22 vs 1

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¹ Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread approached,

which is called Passover / and isn't this verse confusing; maybe since it is the language written the opposite direction? Especially when we know the Lord God tells Moses about 7 Days specially set aside, for Himself; while Moses also says: **3 annual festivals** are set aside for the people and are centered around those 7 specific Days. **Leviticus 23** says: **7 days belong to the Lord**. Paul tells the Colossians these 7 days are **shadows of things to come**; fulfilled in Christ, the Messiah sent by God; apart from Christ, they have no meaning. So, let's put it together piece by piece and get on with the chapter.

The Passover / 1st great Day of the Lord; on this day Messiah would do something very important; and that year Passover began

Tuesday evening... when the sun set - through Wednesday late afternoon.

The Feast of Unleavened Bread / 2nd great Day of the 7 Days belonging to the Lord; began the next day, **Wednesday evening... when the sun set** - through Thursday late afternoon.

² And the chief priests and scribes sought how they might kill Him; for they were afraid of the people / and hundreds of thousands flooded into Jerusalem on this high, holy season of the year.

³ Then Satan entered Judas called Iscariot, who was numbered with **the twelve**.

⁴ And he went away, and discussed with the chief priests and temple guards, how best to hand Him over to them.

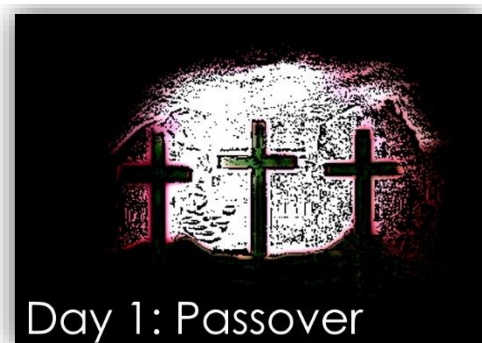
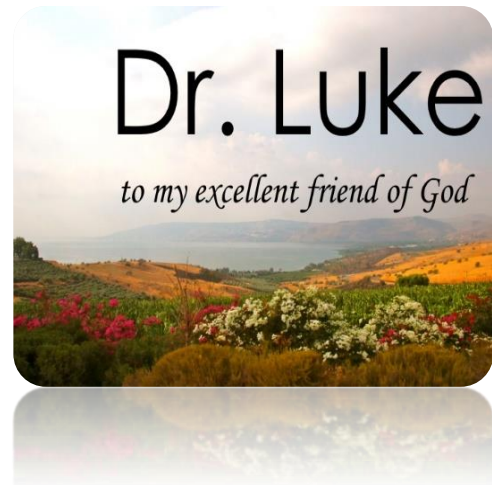
⁵ And they were glad, and agreed to give him silver.

⁶ And he agreed and looked for an opportunity to betray Him to them when the massive crowd was not present.

⁷ Then came the first day of the festival of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover must be killed / the first of 3 annual festivals required by the Lord God, that all the people go and participate in Jerusalem.

⁸ And He sent Peter and John, saying, Go and prepare for us the Passover meal, that we may eat.

⁹ And they asked Him,



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Where do You want us to prepare it?

¹⁰ And He said to them, Pay attention, as you enter the city, for a man carrying a pitcher of water will meet you there; follow him into the house where he enters.

¹¹ And say to the owner of the house / the head of the house; early historians tell us this is where Mark grew up. Can we remember? This was in a home; not in a little church building or a grand cathedral,

The Teacher asks you, Where is the guest room where I will eat the Passover with My disciples? / and it's interesting; this is the same word Luke uses for: **the room in the inn... the place Joseph sought, but could not find for Mary to give birth; what great humility, what great simplicity our Lord embraced when He lived among us. Paul tells us, He who was rich beyond any comprehension of wealth and power; became poor for us... that we through His poverty might be enriched -- **2 Corinthians 8**,**

¹² And he will show you a large furnished room upstairs: there make the preparations.

¹³ And they went, and found as He said to them: and they prepared the Passover.

¹⁴ And when the time had arrived, He sat down, and the twelve apostles with Him.



¹⁵ And He said to them, I **strongly desire to eat this Passover with you / in Greek: **epithumia**; this is the same word that for some reason was translated: **lust**. The translators should have worked harder to translate it: **strong desire** instead of confusing the people; not all our desires benefit the work of the Lord; but obviously it is okay to have strong desires.**

Jesus said I strongly desire to eat this Passover with you before I suffer / and during this joyous meal that went on for hours... Jesus, the good Pastor said:

¹⁶ for I say to you, I will not again eat of it, until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God / clearly, His mind was set on the fast-approaching contest.

¹⁷ And He took the cup, and gave thanks / to His Father; and from our vantage point; are you a little curious to know what Jesus was so thankful about... that night He would be betrayed and brutally treated and murdered?

and said, Take this, and share it among yourselves:

¹⁸ For I say to you, I will **not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes / our Jewish brothers in the Lord tell us at Passover there are several cups of blessing; notice Jesus is not confused about what was in that little cup; that little household cup contained **the fruit of the vine**;**



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not even strangely mixed with a pin-pricked drop of blood; which makes you wonder why some in the church don't want you or me to share among ourselves and drink the fruit of the vine, doesn't it? Even the mother of Jesus was concerned the people had the best fruit of the vine available.

You know, a lot of hocus pocus has gone on in the goofy churchianity world,

For I say to you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine... until the kingdom of God comes.

¹⁹ **And He...** whom John the Baptist called the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world; who John wrote: is the Logos of God; who said, I am the Bread of life descended from heaven; He also said, I am the Door; who also said, I am the Good Pastor; and Jesus said, I am the Way, I am the Truth, I am the Life... and many more things He taught those who joined Him.

He took bread, and gave thanks to His Father... and broke it, and gave to them, saying, / and again, why was Jesus so thankful? Knowing deceivers and seducers and wolves in sheep's clothing... claiming they represent Him... were on the way,



This is My body which is given for you / now they knew what bread was; so when The Bread of Life said to them; this is My body, they weren't confused; He captured in that moment a picture all His people can take with them as they remember Him – they didn't have cameras or cell phones at the time:

do this as a reminder of Me / anyone who says, this is not to be done to remember Jesus, is a fool who wants to deceive you, too; and it sort of makes you wonder: **do what?** Especially when we see lots of people doing lots of other stuff... like droning on with somber tones, lighting candles... and cycling tediously through prayer beads; and not even being given the cup to share among ourselves... but given some leftover stale bread from Babylon... that even a scrounger-mutt would sniff and likely prefer its vomit.

You know, if Jesus looked and sounded as bland and boring as most of the religious leaders we see in the news today, what He started 2000 years ago would have died out... in the first century.

²⁰ **Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new agreement in My blood, which is shed for you.**

do this as a reminder of Me / a Greek noun: **anamnesis**, a reminder; no different than taking digital selfies now days. And since they didn't have cell phones or cameras; and Jesus certainly didn't have time to sit for a painting... He took 2 very common elements of life, found in every home of every culture... throughout the world; He took: bread and a cup with fruit of the vine.



This word: **reminder**... is used 3 other times in the New Testament.

To the Corinthians **chapter 11**, Paul uses the word twice describing the night Jesus was betrayed;

And when He had given thanks, He took bread and broke it, and said; Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: do this as a **reminder** of Me.

After the same manner also, He took the cup, when He had drank, saying, this cup is the new agreement in my blood; do this, as often as you drink... as a **reminder** of Me.

Hebrews 10: For the law having a shadow of things to come... can never make anyone perfect. But in those sacrifices, there is a continual **reminder** of sin, year after year. For it is impossible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.

Why this reminder of the cup? Well, from the days of Adam's 3rd son Seth onward... they knew: without the shedding of blood there was no forgiveness. What they didn't know was that their little bulls and goats were no different than our worthless paper money; unless the currency is backed by sufficient gold in the bank.

Well, the blood of Jesus is good as gold. He who knew no sin became sin for us. Prophet Isaiah tells us, when you make His soul an offering for sin; He will see and be satisfied. We can do that!

Why this reminder of the broken bread? **Psalm 103**: Bend the knee in adoration to the Lord... and forget not all His benefits: who forgives all our hideous guilt; who heals all our diseases.

Matthew quotes Isaiah, That it might be fulfilled, He took our infirmities, and carried away our sicknesses. Peter says, with his stripes we were healed. Some might say: I don't believe that! Well then, I say: work on your belief! You know, to remember, to remind ourselves, to refresh my mind; to reconsider and take to heart... any of the many words and ways our Lord taught us... when He lived among us... we can do that!

Even in our home, as He did this in Mark's home. And if we do that... then watch Him... make it so!

Jesus said, do this as a reminder of Me!

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