## MARK 14 vs 17



Professor Edersheim of Oxford University says, The Pascal Supper always began when the head of the company took the cup and offered thanksgiving to God. This was a joyous time of reward and fellowship. It was a lengthy meal of several hours... with hand-washings... and several cups of blessing.

<sup>17</sup> And in the evening,

He came with the Twelve.

<sup>18</sup> And as they sat and ate, Jesus said,

Truly / AMEN!

I say to you, one of you who eats with Me will betray Me / and with that public statement... because they knew Jesus spoke with authority; we read...

<sup>19</sup> and they began to be sorrowful, and to ask Him one by one,





Is it I? / you know, most people would ask: Who is it? At the very least, His disciples, those doing their math, had learned to question themselves first. It appears each one approached Jesus sometime during the celebration, and personally asked Him.

and another said, Is it I?

<sup>20</sup> And He answered and said to them,

It is one of the Twelve,

who dips with Me in the dish.

<sup>21</sup> The Son of man indeed goes,

as it is written of Him:

but woe to that man / how terrible it is for that man.

by whom the Son of Man is betrayed!

It would have been good for that man if he had never been born.

And maybe an hour or two later, we read...

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<sup>22</sup> And as they continued to eat,

Jesus took bread,

and blessed / the word is: eulogeo; literally meaning... to speak good words; in other words: Jesus gave thanks to God. And have you ever paused to consider what good words of thanks Jesus said to His Father? He knew within hours He would be dead; so consider what Jesus did and said next: as He lifted broken bread and gave it to them. The next time He would do that... there were nail scars in His hands... thank you Father!



and broke it.

and gave to them,

and said,

Take, eat:

this is My body...

now, if suddenly the bread is His body, His actual body, His literal body, and not a metaphor for Him; like some of those very strange traditions say, then who is talking? And whose hands are breaking the bread?

What is Jesus doing? Well Jesus, the great Teacher, who is also the great Rock... and the great Door... and the great Shepherd, you know, the great Pastor! Jesus, the Bread of life who descended from heaven;

Jesus took this simple activity for His disciples, anywhere and everywhere those who do the math, who follow Him, and learn from Him; not to dispute and argue about; but simply, to remember Him. After all, they didn't have cameras; and He certainly didn't have time to sit for a painting.

Jesus was not super woo-woo weird; He wasn't into hocus pocus! He was super natural... which means: He was incredibly normal!

This event did not happen in a great cathedral, nor in a little church house.

So, you can ask yourself:

When is the last time you took bread? ... or a cracker, or a tortilla. or rice cake; that does not matter, what matters is we remember Him! And took a cup? with chardonnay, or grape juice, or even with water: Jesus can change water to wine; that doesn't matter; neither the bread nor the cup matters! What matters is to do it: there **in your home**; or wherever you are; and remember Him! Right where you are!

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<sup>23</sup> And He took the cup, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them: and they all drank of it / notice, whoever was in that home, they all drank of it.

<sup>24</sup> And He said to them, This is My blood of the new testament, which is shed for many.

<sup>25</sup> Truly / AMEN! I say to you,

I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine / and did we hear Him? This cup holds the fruit of the vine... which makes a lot a sense, especially since Jesus adds this next phrase,

## until that day that I drink it again... in the kingdom of God.

Now, does anyone really think that Jesus, the Lord of Glory... someday will be drinking His own blood in the kingdom of God? Or did Jesus give us a meaningful event, whereby we remember Him in 2 ways:

- 1. As we hold in our hand... that piece of broken bread... and thankfully remember: His body was broken for you and me... so with His stripes we were healed:
- 2. As we hold in our hand ... that cup with the fruit of the vine... and remember: without the shedding of His blood, there would be no forgiveness;

Hebrews 10 reminds us: For it is impossible... for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins... and the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once... after He offered one sacrifice for sins... He sat down... because only one offering was needed: His! Isaiah wrote about this Suffering Servant... when we will make His soul our offering for sin... He will see the travail of His soul and be satisfied.

Jesus said...

I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine...

until that day that I drink it again... in the kingdom of God.

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