

GLENVIEW NEW CHURCH SUNDAY MORNING PROGRAM
Primary Lessons: Phase 1 - Lesson 30
Judas' Betrayal Planned, The Last Supper (Matthew 26:14-30)

I. Underlying Ideas for the Teacher

- A. The Holy Supper takes the place of the Passover for the Christian Church.
- B. We, like Judas, may betray the Lord by not trying to live according to the things we say we believe.

II. Story Circle

- A. Introduce the Story
 - 1. Last week we learned about Palm Sunday, when the Lord rode into Jerusalem on a donkey, and the people welcomed Him as king.
 - 2. Our lesson today is about one of the Lord's disciples who plans to betray (turn against) the Lord and about the Lord's Last Supper with His disciples.
- B. Tell/Read the Story
 - 1. Read aloud Matthew 26:14-50.
- C. Ideas to Discuss
 - 1. Which one of Jesus' disciples was paid 30 pieces of silver by the chief priests? (Judas Iscariot)
 - 2. What was the name of the festival that the Lord and His disciples were celebrating? (The Feast of the Unleavened Bread, also called Passover)
 - 3. Do you know what unleavened bread is? (Bread baked with no leavening, that is, no yeast or other thing to make it rise and be light and fluffy. Unleavened bread is heavy and flat.)
 - 4. What was the Passover celebrating? (When the Jews were freed from slavery in Egypt) Do you remember what "Passover" means? (The angel of death passed over the houses of the Jews who had painted their lintels and doorposts with the blood of a lamb, and none of the people in that house were struck dead.)
 - 5. How did the Jews celebrate the Passover each year? (By preparing a lamb and unleavened bread to eat the same as the Lord had commanded on the night of the first Passover)

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6. Where did the Jews celebrate the Passover?
(Jerusalem. Remember earlier this year when we talked about Mary and Joseph taking Jesus to Jerusalem, and He stayed behind talking to the scholars at the temple? They had come to Jerusalem for the Passover.)
7. While Jesus and His disciples were eating the Passover, what did He tell them? ("One of you will betray Me.") What did each of the disciples ask Him? ("Lord, is it I?")
8. Did the Lord know which one it would be? (Yes; He knows everything. We can never hide from the Lord or keep a secret from Him.)
9. What two things did the Lord bless and give to the disciples at the table during the Last Supper?
(Unleavened bread and wine)

D. Further Ideas

1. One of the reasons the Lord came to earth was to establish the Christian Church. It was to be very different from the Jewish Church. To show His disciples that they were to stop celebrating the Passover of the Jewish Church and were to start celebrating the Holy Supper of the Christian Church, the Lord ate the bread and drank the wine with them at their Last Supper.
2. When the Lord broke the unleavened bread and blessed it and gave it to His disciples. He said, "Take, eat; this is My body." When adults go to the Holy Supper, this is what the minister says as he passes out the bread, to remind us of the Lord and the Last Supper.
3. When the Lord took the cup and gave thanks and gave it to the disciples, He said, "This is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins." When adults go to the Holy Supper, this is what the minister says when he hands them wine, to remind them of the Lord's Last Supper.
4. You know that our bodies need food and drink to stay alive. Our souls need spiritual food and drink to stay alive. When we eat the bread and drink the wine of the Holy Supper, we are asking the Lord to send us spiritual food and drink for our souls. And that food and drink is the Lord's

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goodness and truth. We need that goodness and truth to stay alive in our souls.

5. Whenever we do something we know is wrong because we think we can get something out of it for ourselves, we are being like Judas. He knew it was wrong to betray (turn against) the Lord, but he did it for the 30 pieces of silver.

III. Enrichment Activities

A. Music

1. "Take, Eat," LORI'S SONGS FROM THE WORD III (Side 1). (This song is probably best used for listening to rather than trying to teach the children to sing it.)

B. Activities: PASSOVER FOOD

1. Buy some unleavened bread (like matzos) for the children to taste so they will know what the Passover feast was like. Ask if they have all eaten lamb. Perhaps those who have can try to describe what it looks and tastes like for those (if any) who have never had it.
2. If you have Holy Supper bread available, it is all right for the children to try some of it as long as this is not done in the sphere of worship.
3. If unleavened bread of either type is not available, pita bread comes close to give them the idea of the texture and shape, but it does actually have leavening.

C. Project: THE LAST SUPPER

1. Children could draw a picture of a table with the cup of wine and the loaf of unleavened bread on it. They could add Jesus, perhaps breaking the bread; and to keep the industrious busy, you might suggest drawing in the twelve disciples.

IV. Teaching Aids

A. Pictures of the Last Supper

V. Further Reading for the Teacher

A. Dole's BIBLE STUDY NOTES, Vol. 4, "The Lord's Last Days on Earth" (Matthew 26-27), pp. 385-398.

B. THE SOWER, Vol. IV, Matthew 26:1-35.

THE HOLY SUPPER

This is a recipe for the kind of bread the Lord ate at the Last Supper in serving this bread the Lord said, "Do this in remembrance of Me.

Today Christians all over the world eat this bread in remembrance of the Lord in a service called the Holy Supper. In that service the bread is offered to the people in the same way the Lord gave it to His disciples, which makes it very special.

Ask your parents to help you make this bread so you can taste what it is like.

HOLY SUPPER BREAD

- Mix 1 cup of flour with $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon of salt.
- Sprinkle this mixture with 3 tablespoons of olive oil. (You may substitute vegetable oil if you wish.)
- Use a fork to Mix.
- After oil is mixed in sprinkle 2 tablespoons of water over it.
- Stir it until it makes a ball.
- Divide mixture in half.
- Pat each half out on a floured board until the halves are $\frac{1}{4}$ inch thick.
- Bake in preheated 350-degree oven for approximately 4-6 minutes or until light brown. Watch so it doesn't burn.