

Luke
See Jesus
Out With the Old, In With The New!
Luke 22:7-19

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Luke 22:7-19 “Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. ⁸ So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, ‘Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it.’ ⁹ They said to Him, ‘Where will You have us prepare it?’ ¹⁰ He said to them, ‘Behold, when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters ¹¹ and tell the master of the house, “The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with My disciples?” ¹² And he will show you a large upper room furnished; prepare it there.’ ¹³ And they went and found it just as He had told them, and they prepared the Passover. ¹⁴ And when the hour came, He reclined at table, and the apostles with Him. ¹⁵ And He said to them, ‘I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. ¹⁶ For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.’ ¹⁷ And He took a cup, and when He had given thanks He said, ‘Take this, and divide it among yourselves. ¹⁸ For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.’ ¹⁹ And He took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, ‘This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.’”

Reader: This is the Word of The Lord. Response: ***Thanks Be To God!***

I. Never downplay the Gospel (and beware of anyone who does)!

- A. The Old Testament points to the cross, even from the very beginning in Genesis.
 - a. God killed an animal to make coverings for Adam & Eve (Gen. 3:21).
 - b. God accepted Abel’s sacrifice (Gen. 4:4).
 - c. God delivered Noah and his family from His destruction of the world (Gen. 6-8).
 - d. God provided a ram as a substitute for Isaac on Mt. Moriah (Gen. 22).
 - e. God delivered people from death if they looked to the serpent lifted up in the wilderness (Num. 21:4-9)
 - f. Boaz, as a kinsman-redeemer typified the redemption of Christ’s cross (Ruth 4).
- B. The New Testament consistently points to cross of Christ.
 - a. The central truth of all four Gospels is the cross of Christ.
 - b. The book of Acts records the constant, consistent preaching of the cross.
 - c. The epistles are all about applying the theology of the cross to our salvation and sanctification.
 - d. Revelation presents Jesus as the Lamb who was slain for sinners (Rev. 5:6, 12; 13:8).
- C. The truth of the cross of Christ is centralized and prioritized above any/all other teaching.

1 Corinthians 1:22-24 “For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³ **but we preach Christ crucified**, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, ²⁴ but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.”

1 Corinthians 2:2 “For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified.”

1 Corinthians 15:3 “For I delivered to you **as of first importance** what I also received: **that Christ died for our sins** in accordance with the Scriptures...”

II. You need to see Jesus’ complete sovereignty and control over every detail leading to the cross!

- A. Jesus predicated His death (Luke 9:22).
- B. Jesus had complete power over His life, death, and resurrection (John 10:17-18).
- C. The many attempts to kill Jesus before the right time were all failures (Luke 19:47).
- D. Jesus laid out every detail necessary in order for Peter & John to prepare the Passover (Luke 22:10-13).

III. Jesus was the final Passover lamb since He paid the full penalty for the sins of all who would ever believe!

- A. Passover was a reminder of God’s willingness to forgive sin by the death of an innocent substitute (Exodus 12).
- B. It’s impossible to present a perfect substitutionary sacrifice to God.

Hebrews 10:1-2, 4 “For since the law has but a shadow of the good things to come instead of the true form of these realities, it can never, by the same sacrifices that are continually offered every year, make perfect those who draw near. ² Otherwise, would they not have ceased to be offered, since the worshipers, having once been cleansed, would no longer have any consciousness of sins?... ⁴ For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.”

- C. The Old Covenant symbolism is no longer needed because the One it was pointing to has come!

Luke 22:19-20 “And He took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, ‘**This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.**’” ²⁰ And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, ‘This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood.’”

1 Corinthians 11:26 “For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.”

John 3:16 “For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that **whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.**”

Questions for Personal Reflection and/or Community Group Discussion

1. As you live your day-to-day life, how often do you think of the message of the cross? How often do you think of the Gospel?
2. What was the point of Pastor Peter's illustration involving the Gospel and the issues of life, all contained within a circle?
3. When was the first time the Gospel impacted you? When was the last time it impacted you?
4. How does being cognizant of the sovereignty of God inform your daily life?
5. Do you believe Jesus paid the full penalty of all your sins? Why or why not?