

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

Matthew 26:1-35

Key Verses: 26:26b-28

"`Take and eat; this is my body.' Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, `Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.'"

### STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Read verses 1-5. What did Jesus tell his disciples? What is significant about his being crucified at Passover time? (Jn 1:29) What was the plan of the religious leaders?
2. Read verses 6-13. What happened in Bethany? Why might Jesus have been embarrassed? How did the disciples react? (8,9; Jn 12:4-6) How was Jesus' view different from theirs? What meaning did he see in her actions? Why?
3. Read verses 14-16. What did Judas do? What do his actions reveal about his attitude toward Jesus and Jesus' teachings? Toward God?
4. Read verses 17-25. What did the Passover mean in the life of God's people? (Ex 12:11-13, 17; Lk 1:72-75) Why did Jesus want to eat it with his disciples? How did they prepare? How did Jesus show his love for Judas and all of them?
5. Read verses 26-30. Why must the disciples and all believers take and eat the bread Jesus gives? (Jn 6:35) What is the covenant? What is the meaning of Jesus' death? (Jn 1:29; 1 Pe 1:18,19) What did Jesus promise?
6. Read verses 31-35. How did Jesus prepare Peter and the disciples for what was to come? What was his promise? What is admirable about Peter? What would be the result of his not accepting Jesus' words?