

The Last Supper: Family Easter Bible Study (student copy)

Lesson 1

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We're entering the Easter season, and Christians around the world are remembering Christ's death, caused by our sin. But we are also celebrating, because Resurrection Day is our God-given promise that we, too, will one day rise.

This is a study we're focusing on for family Easter Bible study written especially for families. We'll email one study a week every Wednesday, starting today, leading up to Easter. It's an excellent opportunity for your family to remember the story the Bible tells about Jesus' death and resurrection—but also challenges families to consider three important questions at the end of each study: Who is God? Who is Jesus? Who are we?

Lesson 1: The Last Supper

- 1. Read **Matthew 26:14–35** with your family (if possible), then discuss the questions below about the Last Supper. The answers will be provided after you have written your own answers. At this point, do not consult any books other than the Bible (no Googling please), because you will find some answers aren't always definitive, but they'll still hopefully guide your growth.*

Why couldn't the Jewish high priests arrest Jesus in broad daylight?

2. Read several (3) English translations of Matthew 26:25 (perhaps using a Bible Software program such as, YouVersion, or BibleHub). How do different versions translate the last phrase of verse 25? What did Jesus mean?

3. Read John 6:52-58. What is Jesus saying about his body and his blood? What do they represent?

4. Now read Matthew 26:26-28. Would anyone listening to Jesus misunderstand his meaning? Before the Last Supper, what meaning did bread and wine have? What meaning do they have now?

5. *So, what's the real meaning behind the bread and the wine?*

6. *Read Exodus 12:20-23. What clues does this story give us about the bread and the wine at the Last Supper?*

7. *Read Jeremiah 31:31-34. What is a covenant? What is the covenant Jesus mentions in Matthew 26:28?*

8. *What does this lesson tell us about God, Jesus, and ourselves?*

Who is God?

Who is Jesus?

Who are we?