December 30, 2018



REMEMBERING A GOD WHO SAVES

The aim today is to see a God who saves and sets up a meal to remember, so that people can worship.

I. REMEMBERING WHAT GOD HAS DONE, Exodus 13:3-10

The Passover meal is the beginning of the Lord's Supper, where Jesus will save with a strong hand those He is rescuing from genocide and slavery, from sin and death.

The Passover meal was one of remembrance of what God had done to save and a chance to pass down to others what He had done.

II. EXPERIENCING A PRESENT PROVISION, Matthew 26:26-29

Jesus takes the bread and connects it to His body and then takes the cup and connects it to His blood.

In taking the cup and bread Jesus is saying, "I'm going to deliver you from death and sin like I delivered your fathers from slavery and genocide."

John 6:31-35

This previous bread was for a specific people, but the new bread is for the entire world.

Unlike the manna that didn't last, Jesus satisfies the hungry soul.

John 6:52-54

How can one consume Jesus as bread and drink His blood?

Jesus is saying trust in the sufficiency of His body... trust in the brokenness that He experiences.

When Jesus speaks of drinking His blood, He means that He will give up His life for those that would trust Him for eternity.

Understanding His sacrifice means knowing that God passes over our sin and sees only the blood of Jesus.

III. WORSHIPING TILL CHRIST'S RETURN, 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Who takes Communion? We have an open communion, meaning that anyone who is a follower of Christ can join in our remembrance of Christ's work.