

Bible Story 55: JESUS WASHES THE DISCIPLES' FEET AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

SCRIPTURE: Disciples' Feet: John 13:1-17
Lord's Supper: Matthew 26:17-19,26-30; Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

MEMORY VERSE: Ephesians 4:1-2

BIBLE STORY:

On Thursday evening, Jesus and His disciples met in an upper room in Jerusalem to observe and eat the Passover meal, which the Jews observed once a year.

THURSDAY EVENING: JESUS WASHES THE DISCIPLES' FEET

During the meal, Jesus got up and took off His outer garment. Then He put a towel around His waist. He got a basin of water and began to wash the feet of each of His disciples. Afterwards He dried their feet.

Peter did not want Jesus to wash his feet. Jesus said, ***"You will not have any part with Me, Peter, if you do not let Me wash your feet."***

Peter replied, ***"Then, Jesus, wash my feet, my hands and my head."***

Jesus told His disciples that He washed their feet as an example. They were to wash one another's feet, meaning they were to have a spirit of serving one another.

THURSDAY EVENING: THE LORD'S SUPPER

Jesus took the bread and prayed, giving thanks. He broke the bread and passed it to His disciples. As they eat the bread, they were to remember Jesus' body that was given for all people when He died on the cross.

Next Jesus took the cup of wine and prayed, giving thanks. He passed the cup to His disciples. As they drank from the cup, they were to remember the blood that Jesus shed for all people when He died on the cross.

This was a new ordinance for His believers to observe.

Then they sang a hymn and left, going to Gethsemane on the Mount of Olives.

Meanwhile, Judas left earlier to tell the high priests where they would find Jesus. The high priests gave Judas thirty pieces of silver for betraying Jesus.

PART 1: PERSONAL QUESTIONS

1. What did you learn from the story?
2. How can you apply this story to your life?

PART 2: GENERIC QUESTIONS

1. What do you like about the story?
2. What is there in the story that you do not understand?
3. Who are the main people in the story?
4. What problems did the people face?
5. How did the people face their problems?
6. How have you faced similar problems?
7. Is there someone in the story who is similar to you or who is different from you?
8. What does the story tell about God?

PART 3: SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

1. Where did Jesus and the disciples meet to observe the Passover meal?
2. What did Jesus do when He got up from the table and put a towel around His waist?
3. What did Peter say?
4. What did Jesus reply to Peter? What happened?
5. Why did Jesus wash the disciples' feet?
6. How can we serve and help others?
7. Jesus observed a new ordinance, the Lord's Supper, with His disciples.
--- What does the bread represent?
--- What does the wine represent?
8. Do believers of Jesus observe the Lord's Supper in their churches today? Why?
9. What did Judas do when he left the upper room?
10. Jesus and the disciples sang a hymn when they finished the Lord's Supper. What is your favorite hymn or Christian song? Sing it.