

Sunday, 04-03-2022

**The Passover with the Disciples**  
**Bible Background: Matthew 26:17-30**  
**Devotional Reading: Zechariah 9:9-12**

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**Aim for Change (Page 352):**

1. **UNDERSTAND** the last meal Jesus shared with his disciples in light of the Jewish Passover
  2. **AFFIRM** the new meaning Jesus gave to the bread and the cup
  3. **REJOICE** in the freedom that comes through faith in Christ
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**In Focus (Page 352):**

1. What symbols remind you to rejoice (to feel/give joy)?
    - a. Objects – Rock (*Deuteronomy 32:4*; Psalm 18:2)
    - b. Actions – Union (*Matthew 26:26-29*; **Thursday** – 1 Corinthians 11:23-26)
    - c. Creatures – Lamb (*Revelation 5:6*; 19:9)
  2. How do people deal with the burdens of daily life? (*Exodus 6:6-7*; Matthew 23:3-5; *John 14:1-3*; Galatians 6:1-3)
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**The People, Places, and Times (Page 355):**

1. Do you have a nickname? Does it represent your origin, character, purpose, or abilities? Do you let your nickname define who you are versus your birthname?
    - a. *Exodus 3:14*; Isaiah 9:6-7; *John 14:6*, *1 Corinthians 10:13*; 1 John 1:5; Revelation 1:8
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**Background (Page 355):**

1. What symbols are metaphors of life today? Blood? Yeast? Seeds?
    - a. Time is money – Psalm 119:36; Luke 16:14; *1 Timothy 6:10*; 2 Timothy 3:2
    - b. Steppingstones – *Isaiah 43:2*; *1 Peter 5:8-11*
    - c. Weather the Storm – *Psalms 107:28-31*; *Matthew 8:26*
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**In Depth (Pages 355-356):**

1. The Preparation (*Matthew 26:17-19*)
    - a. How do we prepare ourselves and our spaces for worship and remembrance? (*Deuteronomy 16:5-8*; *Ezekiel 46:2-3*; Romans 13:2; *1 Corinthians 11:28-29*)
  2. The Betrayer (*Matthew 26:20-25*)
    - a. Do verses 20 & 25 signify that Judas truly did not believe his actions – accepting money to bring the priests to Jesus when He would be alone and pointing Him out for them – constituted betrayal? (*Psalms 41:9*; 54)
  3. The Partaking (*Matthew 26:26-27*)
    - a. What does the bread and wine represent?
    - b. Can anyone partake of the Eucharist? (1 Corinthians 11:17-34; *1 John 1:8-10*)
  4. The Promise (*Matthew 26:28-30*)
    - a. What reason for joy in the Eucharist does Jesus describe? (**Monday** – Psalm 116:1-15; **Saturday** – Psalm 118:1-9)
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**Search the Scriptures (Page 357):**

1. How did the disciples respond to Jesus' statement, "I tell you the truth, one of you will betray me"? (*Matthew 26:21-22*)
  2. What warning did Jesus give His betrayer? (*Matthew 26:24*)
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**Application for Activation (Page 357):**

1. How many opportunities have we neglected to break bread and enjoy fellowship with those less fortunate than we are? (Luke 24:34-38; *Acts 1:14*; *2:41-47*)