

# THE LORD'S SUPPER

Enemies at the Last Supper



**OUR DAILY BREAD**

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### **SOMETHING YOU MUST KNOW:**

God is perfect. He is Holy. We are all sinners. ***For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.***

(Romans 3:23a KJB)

None of us could ever make ourselves perfect or holy to be accepted by God. But God loves us all so much, that He gave His only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to go to the cross and pay the penalty for our sins IN FULL, ONCE and FOR ALL. Jesus died and rose again. Because of the Lord Jesus Christ, God can now make us holy and acceptable to Himself. ***For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit.*** (1 Peter 3:18 KJB)

Jesus Christ is our ONLY WAY to God and heaven.

***Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.***

(John 14:6 KJB)

***Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved.*** (Acts 16:31 KJB)

Without Jesus Christ, you can NEVER be accepted by God or go to heaven. When you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior, God makes you His child. When you leave this world, you will spend all of eternity with Him! ***But as many as received him to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.*** (John 1:12 KJB) While you are still here on earth, learn His beautiful Word. Believe it and obey it, so you can enjoy all God has done for you.

***Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom.***

(Colossians 3:16a KJB)

Today is  
**THE LORD'S SUPPER**  
here at Grace Christian Fellowship Church.

At this special service, we gather together to  
**REMEMBER JESUS' DEATH**  
**ON THE CROSS.**



We eat the bread.

We drink the cup.

We do this because Jesus told us  
to do this. And Jesus told us to  
do this to help us remember that



He gave His very life for us on the cross. Jesus' pure, sinless body was nailed to the cross. We are the ones who deserved to be there because of our sins. But instead, Jesus willingly went to that cross for us. He shed His blood to pay for the sins of the entire human race - for your sins & mine. The bread helps us to remember His sinless body. The cup helps us remember His shed blood to pay COMPLETELY for our sins. The bread & the cup help us to remember Jesus' great sacrifice of love for us on the cross. Jesus said this in John 15:13 KJB:

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

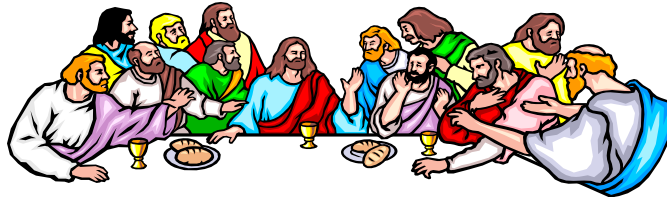
No one could ever love us more than Jesus loves us!  
And the BREAD & THE CUP help us to remember His love  
& sacrifice for us! The more we know about Jesus and why

He went to the cross for us, the more we can  
**REMEMBER & be THANKFUL FOR**

as we

**EAT THE BREAD & DRINK THE CUP!**

When did Jesus first tell us that we should REMEMBER HIM by eating the bread & drinking the cup? Do you know? It was at THE LAST SUPPER. The Last Supper was a special supper that Jesus shared with His disciples before He went to the cross. This special supper was called



### THE PASSOVER SUPPER.

In future lessons we will learn about why the Jews celebrated the Passover Supper & why Jesus chose that special supper to first tell us about the bread & the cup, but for today's lesson we are going to learn about something that happened at the Last Supper which shows us that Jesus' death on the cross was part of the BATTLE between GOD & SATAN.

We have learned that God has enemies! Enemies who HATE God & His Son, Jesus Christ. We have learned that Satan is God's #1 ENEMY! In fact, Satan is the LEADER of God's enemies! In our lessons about Daniel, we learned that Satan has supernatural beings who are part of his evil army. These beings, which normally CANNOT be seen by our human eyes, fight against God's army of "good angels" to try to stop God's will from being completed. But today we will learn that God also has enemies who are humans. These people have been tricked into following Satan - even if they don't even

REALIZE that they are following him! Many people do what Satan wants them to do without them even knowing that that is what they are doing! See 2Corinthians 4:2-4 KJB & Acts 5:1-4.

While Jesus was living on earth as a man, many of these “human enemies”, people whom Satan used, came against Jesus. This next scripture names some of these people. Acts 4:26-28 KJB

“The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ.

For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and



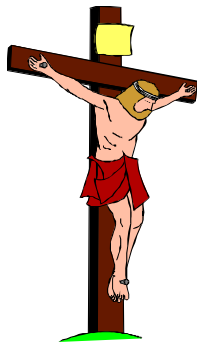
Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the people of Israel, were gathered together.

For to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done.”

When Jesus lived on earth, those enemies, namely the “kings” & the “religious rulers”, Herod, & Pontius Pilate, & lots of others too, were all used by Satan right from Jesus’ birth to try to STOP GOD from completing His plan to have Jesus pay for the sins of the whole world. Satan also wants to stop Jesus from being King on earth someday too! (And by the way, someday in the future the “kings & rulers” of this earth who will be under Satan’s rule will once again “gather

together against the Lord, and against his Christ"! Read Revelation 20:7-9 to find out what will happen to them when they do!)

But, in the meantime, we must **THANK GOD** that all of this is **NO SURPRISE TO GOD!** How do we know that? Well, Acts 4:28 which you just read tells us that these "enemies" of God & His Son, Jesus Christ did **ONLY THAT** which **GOD DETERMINED - ALLOWED** - them to do! And God allowed them to do these things so that **GOD** could put His Son on the cross for **YOU & for ME!**



**God PLANNED the CROSS  
PERFECTLY!**

Isaiah 53:10, Acts 2:22-24, Luke 22:22-23 & 1 Timothy 2:3-6 tell us that He did! And although God's enemies meant all this to **HURT JESUS & STOP GOD** from keeping all His promises to His people that He would send them Jesus to pay for all their sins, God **USED** all their evil deeds for His **OWN** purpose & plan to send His Son to the cross to **PAY FOR OUR SINS!** John 19:30 KJB tells us His payment for sins **IS FINISHED!** God **USED** their **EVIL** against Him & His Son for **OUR GOOD & HIS GLORY!** By the way, God does that a lot! See Genesis 50:26 KJB.

We have seen that God has both **SUPER-NATURAL & HUMAN** enemies. And one of each were **PRESENT** at the **LAST SUPPER** with Jesus! Let's see who they were. First read Luke 22:1-23 KJB on your own, then continue reading this lesson.

"And when the hour was come, he (Jesus) sat

down, and the twelve apostles with him."

Jesus was sitting down with His 12 apostles. They were celebrating the Passover with a special supper. Then Jesus told them that from now on instead of celebrating this Passover supper, they were to celebrate the Lord's Supper. From then on, they would eat the bread & drink the cup to remember that He died to pay for their sins & the sins of the world.

Now look what Jesus said in verse 21:



"But, behold, the hand of him that betrayeth me *is* with me on the table.

Jesus said that someone at that table was about to BETRAY HIM! There was an ENEMY at that table! Who was this BETRAYER? Who was the HUMAN ENEMY of God & His Son, Jesus Christ? Lets' see.

After Jesus had told His apostles that there was a BETRAYER - and ENEMY - among them at the table, the apostles asked Jesus who it was. Read what Jesus answered in John 13:26 KJB:

"Jesus answered, He it is, to whom I shall give a sop (a little morsel of food) when I have dipped *it*. And when he had dipped the sop, he gave *it* to Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon."

The human "betrayers" standing face to face with Jesus at the Last Supper - even EATING with Jesus was JUDAS ISCARIOT! But who was the

SUPERNATURAL ENEMY at that Last Supper?

"And after the sop Satan entered into him  
(into Judas Iscariot)". John 13:27a KJB

Who was that SUPERNATURAL ENEMY at that  
Last Supper standing face to face with Jesus?

IT WAS SATAN!



Satan ENTERED INTO THE BODY OF  
JUDAS & stood there face to face with Jesus! And  
what did Jesus do? Did He fight with His enemies  
at this time? Did He stretch forth His hand & de-  
stroy them? With just ONE WORD, Jesus could  
have ZAPPED both of His enemies straight into hell!  
And SOMEDAY in the FUTURE (Rev 20:7-15 KJB), Jesus  
WILL fight & COMPLETELY DESTROY ALL His enemies.  
But AT THIS TIME - AT THE LAST SUPPER - Jesus did  
NOT fight with Judas & Satan. He did NOT speak His  
WORD & send them both to the Lake of Fire! Instead here  
is what Jesus SAID:

"Then said Jesus unto him, that thou doest, do  
quickly." John 13:27 KJB

Jesus told Satan & Judas that they were to do  
what they planned to do - BETRAY HIM! And Jesus  
told them to do it QUICKLY! Jesus knew that this  
was NOT the time in history to completely DE-  
STROY Satan. Jesus knew that this was the  
APPOINTED TIME for Him to go to the cross for  
YOU & for ME! Although Satan has ALREADY  
been judged, at this time of history, Jesus came to



SAVE people, NOT to judge them or destroy them!  
See John 3:15-18. In fact, Matthew 26:47 tells us that later, right when Judas handed Jesus over to the evil rulers, Jesus called Judas “friend”. Jesus gave Judas another chance to “change his mind” & accept that Jesus is God his Savior. Jesus gave Judas another chance to become His FRIEND rather than remain His enemy! Jesus loved Judas too!

The presence of those 2 enemies at the Last Supper show us BEYOND A DOUBT that there is a spiritual battle going on between God & Satan over the souls of men! And now, look what Jesus did very shortly after Judas & Satan left:

“And he came out, and went, as he was wont (used to doing), to the mount of Olives; and his disciples also followed him.” Luke 22:39 KJB

Jesus went to a place called the mount of Olives where he went regularly. What did Jesus do there?



“... and kneeled down, and prayed,  
Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.”

Jesus prayed a BATTLE PRAYER! He told His Father that no matter what, He would DO HIS FATHER’S WILL! That should be our BATTLE PRAYER TOO! We should pray: “Father, I want to do what YOU want me to do! Help me KNOW what it is!” In Jesus Name, Amen!” There is a BATTLE going on & PRAYER is part of that battle. Remember all this about Jesus today as you EAT THE BREAD & DRINK THE CUP!

# GRACE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Pastor John A. Ricci

## Sunday Morning Service

10:00 A.M.

Sunday Transportation Service ~ Call 24 hours Prior

## Weekly Services

Wednesday & Friday Evenings, 7:30 P.M.

## Prayer Meeting

Wednesday & Friday Evenings, 7:00-7:20 P.M.

## Communion Service

First Sunday of Every Month

## Children's Prep School (Ages 5-14) & Mother's Room

Available for Every Service

## Email

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## Directions

### From I-95

- RI Exit #22; *Left* at split to **Rt. 6 W.**
- Take Killingly St (Rt. 128) Exit; *Right* off Exit.
- Take Killingly to end; *Right* on Manton Ave; cross bridge.
- Turn *Left* at light (CVS on corner), and then bear *Left* at the split. You are now on Woonasquatucket Ave.
- Go about 1 mi.
- **G.C.F.** is on the *Left*.



### From Rt. 146

- Mineral Spring Ave Exit in Providence.
- From **146 N** turn *Left* off Exit; from **146 S** turn *Right*.
- Take Mineral Spring to end and stay *Left* around the rotary (pass North Providence Town Hall).
- Take next *Right* onto Woonasquatucket Ave.
- Go about 1½ mi.
- **G.C.F.** is on the *Right*.

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