The Last Supper

Matthew 26:17-35

Intro:

A. Jesus Christ is a Jew.
   1. He was born to a Jewish woman.
   2. He was reared in the Jewish tradition.

B. Jesus kept Jewish law.
   1. He was circumcised.
   2. He kept the Sabbath.
   3. He kept the Law of Moses.

C. Here we see Him doing two things.
   1. He is observing the Passover.
   2. He is instituting the Lord's Supper.

I. The Passover Prepared.

A. The disciples reminded Him.
   1. v.17
   2. vs.18-19

B. Many things had to be done.
   1. The house must be purged.
   2. All things must be gathered.

II. The Betrayal Predicted.

A. The setting.
   1. He sat down with hem. V.20
   2. He spoke to them. V.21
   3. They were sorrowful. V.22a
   4. They questioned Him. V.22b

B. The betrayer identified.
   1. It would be someone present. V.23
   2. The person warned. V.24
   3. Judas makes inquiry. V.25

III. The Supper Instituted.

A. Jesus and the bread.
   1. He took bread. V.26
   2. He blessed it.
3. He broke it.
4. He gave it meaning.

B. **Jesus and the cup.**
   1. He took the cup. **V.27**
   2. He gave thanks.
   3. He gave it to them.
   4. He gave it meaning. **V.28**
   5. *remission* = αφέων = "discharge," "setting free", "the forgiveness of sins on the part of God," "total forgiveness excluding all idea of punishment."

C. **Jesus and the Kingdom.**
   1. He would not take the supper again. **V.29**
   2. The kingdom would come.

IV. **After The Supper.**

A. **They sang an hymn.** **V.30**
   1. They sang a Psalm.
   2. Psalms 115, 116, 117, 118

B. **Jesus warned them.**
   1. "All ye shall be offended..." **v.31**
   2. Zechariah 13:7
   3. They would gather again. **V.32**

V. **The Promise Of The Disciples.**

A. **Peter’s promise.**
   1. "Though all men...yet will I never..." **v.33.**
   2. The truth foretold. **V.34**

B. **Peter’s response.**
   1. "though I should die..." **v.35**
   2. "Likewise also said all the disciples."