



## Living Waters Ministries

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### THE LAST SUPPER OF JESUS [The Biblical Account]

#### Jesus Celebrated The Feast Of Unleavened Bread!

The day before the Passover, Jesus and His disciples had *the Last Supper*. The LAST SUPPER did indeed occur *the night before* the crucifixion, but it was not the Passover supper the disciples and Jesus did eat. This is an often overlooked clear fact from John's account, which is a bit more precise. Other Gospels refer to *the Sabbath drawing nigh* which began at sunset, the day Christ was crucified "was know as a High Day [a special Jewish Sabbath]." All the Gospels agree in this regard to Jesus being Crucified just before the Passover which then started at sunset. This indicates that Jesus and His disciples were celebrating in fact the Feast of Unleavened Bread....

Here is the detailed account we find in the four Gospels:

Mark says, "**Now when the even** [i.e., sunset was approaching] **was come** [after Christ had died], **because it was the preparation** [of the Passover lamb], **that is, the day before the Sabbath** [the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, which began at sunset after the Passover lamb had been slain], **Joseph of Arimathaea...went in boldly unto Pilate, and craved the body of Jesus" (15:42,43)**. Luke agrees: "**And that day was the preparation, and the** [special] **Sabbath drew on" (23:54)**. John gives even more detail:

**Then led they Jesus from Caiaphas unto the hall of judgment: and it was early; and they themselves went not into the judgment hall, lest they should be defiled; but that they might eat the passover. And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King! The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. (John 18:28; 19:14,31)**

#### Celebration of the Feast Of Unleavened Bread

John's account tells us that the "Last Supper" was not the Passover:

**John 13:1 Now before [ indicates the day before] the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end. John 13:2-5 And supper [the Feast of Unleavened Bread] being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him; Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God; He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded.**

Notice here that in the account, in none of the Gospels is there a given reference to any of the special table features which are present at the Passover supper. The Last Supper actually took place *the night before* the Passover. Bread and the Juice are the sole features at this Feast, and none of the other Passover garnishments are present. [Due to the fact

that these Passover garnishments are still in the preparations!]. The two separate feasts of *the Feast of Unleavened Bread* and Passover were always treated as one inasmuch as they overlapped (**Ex.12:18**) - yet they are not the same.

### **Jesus Is The Unleavened Bread Of The Feast – His Sacrifice At The Cross!**

The Lord Jesus took Bread and the Fruit of the Vine and led His disciples into what we call Communion or the Lord's Supper which He was in fact explaining to them about His sacrifice at the Cross and about the New Covenant in His blood. This was explaining His body as the Bread and His blood as the grape juice. The Apostle Paul gives us reference:

**1Corin. 11:23-26 For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus *the same night in which he was betrayed took bread*: And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also he took *the cup*, when he had supped, saying, *This cup is the new testament in my blood*: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, *in remembrance of me*. For as often as ye eat *this bread*, and drink *this cup*, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.**

**John 1:29, 36 The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world. And looking upon Jesus as he walked, he saith, Behold the Lamb of God!**

**Isaiah 53:5 But he was wounded for *our transgressions*, he was bruised for *our iniquities*: the chastisement of our peace was *upon him*; and with his stripes we are healed.** Understanding the Lord's Supper and His sacrifice at the Cross is His means in us receiving *His Covenant Benefits*.

**JESUS WAS CRUCIFIED RIGHT BEFORE SUNSET WHILE THE LAMBS OF THE PASSOVER SACRIFICE WERE PREPARED - SLAIN - AND HANGING ON THE HOOKS IN THE TEMPLE COURT YARD.... JESUS THE LAMB OF GOD WAS ON THE CROSS TAKING AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD!**

It is all about the Body and the Blood sacrifice of our Saviour Jesus Christ and what He has done for us! ***"This cup is the New Covenant in My Blood!"...***

From the time of the crucifixion burial forward the Lord was in the tomb for approximately 72 hour or 3 Days and 3 Nights! [literal according to Jesus' prophecy] **Matt 12:40 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.** (Jonah 1:17)

**And after 3 days and 3 night JESUS WAS RESURRECTED FROM THE DEAD AND NOW LIVES FOREVER!**

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