

JESUS' BLOOD OF THE COVENANT

Mark 14:1-26

Key Verse: 14:24

1. As the Passover was approaching, what were the religious leaders plotting (1-2)? What unusual thing did a woman do to Jesus and why might she have done this (3)? What did some indignantly say and do (4-5)?
2. How did Jesus defend the woman (6)? In what sense was her action beautiful (7-8)? How did Jesus honor her (9)? How did Judas' action differ from the woman's and what might have motivated him to do this (10-11)?
3. What did the Passover commemorate and why was this one so important (12; Ex 12:12-14; Jn 1:29; 1Co 5:7)? How did Jesus and his disciples prepare to celebrate it (13-16)?
4. What serious problem did Jesus bring up during the Passover meal and why (17-20)? How did Jesus want his disciples to understand Judas' betrayal and his own death (21a)? How was this a warning to Judas Iscariot (21b)?
5. During the meal, how did Jesus explain the meaning of the bread and the cup (22-24; Jn 6:54)? What do Jesus' words, "my blood of the covenant" signify to us (Ex 24:8; Jer 31:31-34; Heb 9:14-15)? What hope does this covenant give us (25-26; Mt 26:29)?