



## Mark 14

Mark 14:22-25

- Jesus is sharing a very important and intimate meal with his disciples
- This meal would be the Jewish version of our Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner
- This is Jesus last meal with the disciples

- Jesus uses the elements of the meal to make an important illustration
- Luke 22:19-20
- The bread being broken represents Jesus body that would be beaten and broken
- He would be horribly beaten beyond the recognition of a man

- The cup of wine represented Jesus blood poured out to initiate a new covenant
- Jesus fulfilled the requirements of the law in his life
- He fulfilled the wrath on God in sacrificing his life on the cross
- \*this allows us to have a new relationship (covenant) with God
- \*Jesus death is both horribly gruesome and amazingly beautiful

- \*this is what we do and celebrate in communion
- \*also we can use regular meals as a reminder of Jesus sacrifice

What really stuck out to me is what happened around this meal

- Jesus just told his disciples how much he is going to sacrifice for them
- They then all betray or abandon him
- Judas hands him over to be killed
- His closest friend and disciple Peter denies even knowing him
- One guy (probably Mark) is in such a hurry to leave him he loses his robe and runs away naked
- What if I told you I paid a great penalty in your place and then you just ditched me and abandoned Veracity
- \*Jesus makes this sacrifice for guys he knows aren't going to stand with him
- \*We often treat Jesus sacrifice the same way instead of living in gratitude

Small Group Questions

- 1) What is something that can remind you of Jesus' sacrifice on a regular basis?
- 2) What are some things you are doing because you are thankful for what Jesus has done for you?