## FINAL STUDY NOTES - *LUKE Chapter 22:1-38* 6/2-3/2025

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### **OPENING PRAYER**

*LUKE* – <u>Chapter 22</u> - The Plot to Kill Jesus - (vs. 1-6); Jesus and His Disciples Prepare the Passover – (vs. 7-13); Jesus Institutes the Lord's Supper! – (vs. 14-23); The Disciples Argue About Greatness - 24-30); Jesus Predicts Peter's Denial – (vs. 31-34); Supplies for the Road – (vs. 35-38).

### The Plot to Kill Jesus

### Luk 22:1 Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called Passover.

- In the book of Leviticus chapter twenty-three, as Moses explains the Jewish feasts, on the fourteenth day of the first month, they were to celebrate the feast of Passover. It was to be a memorial feast by which they commemorated God is passing through Egypt and slaying the firstborn in order that the Pharaoh might allow the children of Israel to leave.
- God made provision for the children of Israel that wherever they would place the blood of the Lamb on the lintels of the doorposts of their house, when God passed through and killed the firstborn, where the blood was seen upon the lintels and doorposts, the Lord would pass over that house so that the firstborn would not be slain. Hence the word Passover.

• On the fifteenth day they began the Feast of Unleavened Bread. This was a seven-day feast. The first day of the feast and the last day of the feast were Sabbath days. The Passover Feast, as were all of the feasts, not only commemorated what God had done, acknowledging God's goodness and grace, but they were each anticipatory. The Feast of the Passover was looking forward, as well as looking backward at the lamb in Egypt. It was also looking forward to the Lamb of God who would be slain for the sins of the world. Thus, Jesus fulfilled the Passover Feast. (*Col 2:17*) which <u>are a shadow of things to come, but the substance is of Christ</u>. The day before was the Feast of the Passover.

Luk 22:2 And the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might kill Him, for they feared the people.

• They were looking for some way to arrest Jesus and to get Him on the cross before the people really realized what was going on. They were true politicians in that they were most concerned with the opinion of the people. They wanted to remain in office and thus they sought to do their deeds in such a way as not to rile the people.

## Judas to Betray Jesus

## Luk 22:3 Then <u>Satan entered Judas</u>, surnamed Iscariot, who was numbered among the twelve.

• John's gospel tells us that early in Jesus' ministry, saying, (Joh 6:70) Jesus answered them, "Did I not choose you, the twelve, and one of you is a devil?" John also tells us that Jesus knew from the beginning who it was that was going to betray Him. Judas was more or less the treasurer of the group who paid the bills. When that woman poured that expensive perfume on Jesus, he said, Why this waste? We could have sold this for a lot of money and given it to the poor. It was not that he was interested in the poor, but he kept the money, thieving out of it, embezzling the funds. At this point we read that Satan entered into Judas.

## Luk 22:4-6 So he went his way and conferred with the chief priests and captains, <u>how he</u> <u>might betray Him to them</u>. [5] And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. [6] <u>So he</u> <u>promised and sought opportunity to betray Him</u> to them <u>in the absence</u> of the multitude.

- The crowds were listening to Jesus. They would gather early to hear Him. He would come and during the day, teach in the temple. At night He would go out and stay at the Mount of Olives. So, Judas knew the place that Jesus was staying on the Mount of Olives. Thus, he went to the priests, striking a deal with them that he would betray Jesus to them at an opportune moment *in the absence of the multitude*.
- In the Old Testament, Zechariah made a very interesting and remarkable prophecy concerning the betrayal of Jesus. (Zec 11:12-13) Then I said to them, "If it is agreeable to you, give me my wages; and if not, refrain." So they weighed out for my wages thirty pieces of silver.
- How amazing! What a remarkable prophecy some five hundred years before Judas Iscariot betrayed the Lord, which led to His crucifixion. Can you imagine prophesying something that is going to happen in the year 3000 with that kind of accuracy? You are prophesying concerning a man that will be betrayed for thirty pieces of silver. They would then take that silver and throw it in the house of the Lord and then use it to buy a potter's field. You say, impossible. Of course it is. It is divine! It is proof of divine revelation!

## The Passover with the Disciples

## Luk 22:7 Then came the Day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover must be killed.

• The Passover Feast preceded the Feast of Unleavened Bread, but it was all a part of it so the day was coming when they would kill the Passover lamb.

Luk 22:8-13 And He sent Peter and John, saying, "<u>Go and prepare the Passover for us</u>, that we may eat." [9] So they said to Him, "Where do You want us to prepare?" [10] And He said to them, "Behold, when you have entered the city, <u>a man</u> will meet you <u>carrying a pitcher of</u> <u>water</u>; follow him into the house which he enters. [11] Then you shall say to the master of the house, <u>'The Teacher says</u> to you, "<u>Where is the guest room where I may eat the Passover</u> with <u>My disciples</u>?" ' [12] Then <u>he will show you a large, furnished upper room</u>; there make

# ready." [13] So they <u>went and found it just as He had said</u> to them, and <u>they prepared</u> the Passover.

- *Go and prepare the Passover for us.* To get all of the things set for the Passover meal. Those reminders of the bondage in Egypt. The slavery, the hard work, the tears, all of these symbolic portions of the Passover, they were to prepare them on that evening which began the Passover. Their days go from sundown to sundown. So, the Passover day had begun. Jesus ate the Passover Feast with His disciples. He was crucified before the day was over. Jesus was crucified on the day of the Passover which was also the preparation for this sabbath day that would come as the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread.
- God significantly planned this day that His Son would be crucified on the day of Passover where they were remembering the lamb that was slain and the blood was put upon the lintels and doorposts; So, the Lamb of God was to be slain for those seeking protection in Him. That through the blood of Jesus Christ we have passed from death unto life. We are spared death through our faith in Jesus Christ! That is, spiritual death, the second death. Not the first death.
- God never promised you that you are going to live forever in these corrupting bodies. Thank God for that. I hate to think of living another even twenty-five years in this body. No. As Paul said, (2Co 5:1) For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

## Institution of the Lord's Supper!

# Luk 22:14-15 When the hour had come, He sat down, and the twelve apostles with Him. [15] Then He said to them, "With <u>fervent (incredible</u>) <u>desire</u> I have desired to eat <u>this Passover</u> with you <u>before I suffer</u>;

- Jesus longed to eat this Passover with His apostles. He knew this was the last real observance of the Passover, looking backward! Now, this is what the Passover was looking forward to, anticipating all of the hundreds of years. For centuries as they observed the Passover, it was always looking forward to this Passover! This is it! The crux of all of the ages, the Lamb was slain before the foundation of the world. So, everything, anticipatory, every sacrifice, every Passover, everything looking forward to this night! He will put this Last Supper meal into a transition and turn it into The Lord's Supper or the Lord's Communion table, which will then be a Holy Communion Memorial from then on. Looking to this night, this is the center of everything; Jesus identifying Himself as the Passover Lamb of God that would take away the sin of the world!
- Paul understands that completely when he says Christ, our Passover was sacrificed for us in (1Co 5:7) Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us. In the Book of Revelation, Jesus calls Himself the Lamb twenty-eight times. It is His favorite term for Himself,
- So, with fervent desire or great longing, I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer.
- How much do I desire to partake of Communion? Is it just a ritual to me? Do I
  prayerfully and thankfully pray to more fully understand and appreciate the totality of
  what my Lord and Savior accomplished for me on the cross? Do I really "do this in
  remembrance of Me! (of Jesus, the Lamb of God!)"

Luk 22:16 for I say to you, <u>I will no longer eat of it</u> until <u>it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God</u>."

- It appears that Jesus ate the meal with them but when it came to the breaking of the bread He said, "I will no longer eat of it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God."
- These two allusions to the kingdom of God, (Luk 22:16 & 18), point forward to the marriage supper of the Lamb, when the full purpose of redemption will be consummated. (Rev 19:9) Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!

Luk 22:17 Then He took the cup (that of sanctification, some say thanksgiving - "I will bring you out!"), and gave thanks, and said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves;

• The traditional Passover feast began with a thanksgiving, which was followed by the first cup of wine. They then ate some bread dipped in the bitter herbs; sang (*Psa. 113-114*) and drank the second cup. This was followed by the eating of the roasted lamb and the bread, the drinking of the third cup, and the singing of (*Psa. 115-118*). The feast ended with the drinking of the fourth cup.

The Jewish tradition recognized four cups at Passover, taken from the Exodus passage (Exo 6:6-7) Therefore say to the children of Israel: 'I am the LORD; I will bring you out (cup #1 of – sanctification) from under the burdens of the Egyptians, I will rescue you from their bondage (cup #2 of – blessing), and I will redeem you (cup #3 of – redemption) with an outstretched arm and with great judgments. [7] I will take you as My people, and I will be your God (cup #4 of – acceptance). Then you shall know that I am the LORD your God who brings you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. It is from this Hebrew text that they define the four cups.

Luk 22:18 for I say to you, <u>I will not drink of the fruit of the vine</u> until <u>the kingdom of God</u> <u>comes.</u>"

- (Mat 26:29) But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on <u>until that day when</u> <u>I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom</u>." (Mar 14:25) Assuredly, I say to you, I will no longer drink of the fruit of the vine <u>until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God</u>."
- Jesus is saying the He will not drink the fourth cup until the kingdom of God comes, when He can drink it with us at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb! (Rev 19:9) Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!' "And he said to me, "These are the true sayings of God."
- *I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes. (Exo 6;7) I will <u>take you as</u> <u>My people</u>, and I will <u>be your God</u> (cup #4 of <u>acceptance</u>). Jesus is pointing to the fact that this is to be fulfilled on the cross, this whole ceremony of the Passover <u>will have its fulfillment and a true</u> <u>understanding of the meaning</u>.*
- Luk 22:19 And <u>He took bread, gave thanks</u> and <u>broke it</u>, and <u>gave it to them</u>, saying, "<u>This is My body</u> (the Lamb of God, not just a sacrificial lamb that had been slain in the temple) which is given (sacrificial term) for you; do this in <u>remembrance of Me</u>."
- Jehovah Jireh! (Gen 22:8a) And Abraham said, My son, God will provide Himself a lamb for a burnt offering! (ICo 11:23b-24) that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; [24] and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me."
- The institution of the Lord's supper, (*Luk 2:19 & 20*). The *Passover* and the *deliverance* out of Egypt were *typical* and *prophetic signs* of a Christ to come who by dying, should deliver us from sin and death, and the tyranny of Satan; but they shall no more say, *The Lord lives, that brought us up out of the land of Egypt;* a much greater deliverance shall eclipse the luster of that, and therefore the Lord's supper is instituted to be a commemorative sign or memorial of a Christ already come, that *has* by dying, delivered us! It is His death that is set before us in a special manner in that ordinance.
- The breaking of Christ's body as a sacrifice for us is commemorated here by the breaking of bread; This is how we remember what Jesus did for us. As we eat the bread, we are to remember how Jesus was broken, pierced, and beaten with stripes for our redemption!
- This bread that was given for us is given to us to be food for our souls, for nothing can be more nourishing and satisfying to our souls than the doctrine of Christ's making atonement for sin, and the assurance of our interest in that atonement. This bread that was broken and given for us, to satisfy for the guilt of our sins, is broken and given to us, to satisfy the desire of our souls. This we do in remembrance of what He did for us, when He died for us, and for a memorial of what we do, in making ourselves partakers of Him, and joining ourselves to Him in an everlasting covenant. (Matthew Henry)
- There is a Lamb slaughtered and slain because we sin! We make mistakes. Our Savior, our blessed, sweet Savior, laid down His life! He was the Lord of Lords, and He was the King of Kings! <u>There is no more sacrificial act in the history of the universe that has ever taken place! It is the center of everything! And He said, "Do this in remembrance of Me." Not just remembering the lamb in Egypt. You do this in remembrance of Me, the Lamb of God!!!!</u>
- As I take the bread, do I remember and ponder this verse? "<u>He took bread</u>, gave thanks, and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "<u>This is My body (the Lamb of God</u>, not a <u>sacrificial temple lamb) which is given</u> (sacrificed) for you; do this in remembrance of <u>Me</u>!"

Luk 22:20 Likewise He also took the cup (that of <u>redemption</u>, some say <u>blessing</u>), after supper, saying, "<u>This cup is the new covenant in My blood</u>, which <u>is shed</u> (sacrificial term) for you.

- Now He is giving a new meaning to the elements of the communion. No longer are you to be reminded of the lamb that was slain in Egypt and God's deliverance when the blood was put on the doorposts. But from now on, you are to remember the Lamb of God that was slain for the sins of the world and by the application of the blood of Jesus Christ on your life, you have passed from death to life!
- As we drink the cup, we should remember that His blood, His life was poured out on Calvary for us. The blood of Jesus made the new covenant possible, and it also made it sure and reliable! It is confirmed with the life of God Himself!
- He spoke of it as the *cup of the new covenant in My blood*, which is shortly to be ratified in (or by) the shedding of His blood for His own. This means that the new covenant, which He made primarily with the nation of Israel, was ratified by His blood. <u>The complete fulfillment</u> of the New Covenant will take place during the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, reigning on earth, but we as believers enter into the good of it at the present time.
- Communion (koinonia partnership, participation) has a three-fold aspect: <u>It looks</u> back in faith as it <u>remembers the Cross</u>. It <u>looks</u> ahead in hope as it <u>waits</u> for the day we will eat with the Lord in the kingdom. It <u>looks</u> ahead in love as we see Christians all around the globe and down the tunnel of history <u>eating of the same loaf and drinking of the same cup</u>. We may not always agree on end times, the work of the Spirit, or all points of doctrine. But <u>we will find unity</u> at the Lord's table, at the foot of the Cross.
- As I take the cup, do I remember that His blood, His life was poured out on Calvary's cross? Jesus' blood made the new covenant possible, confirmed with the life of God Himself; and that by the application of His shed blood, I have passed from death to life forever! Wow! Oh thank You, Jesus Christ my Lord and Savior!

## Luk 22:21 But behold, the hand of <u>My betrayer</u> is <u>with Me</u> on the table.

- **My betrayer.** (Joh 13:26-28) Jesus answered, "It is he to whom <u>I shall give a piece of bread when I</u> have dipped it." And having dipped the bread, <u>He gave it to Judas Iscariot</u>, the son of Simon. [27] Now after the piece of bread, **Satan entered him**. Then Jesus said to him, "<u>What you do, do</u> <u>quickly</u>." [28] But no one at the table knew for what reason He said this to him.
- When Peter spoke of their crucifying Jesus, he said, (Act 2:23) Him, <u>being delivered by the</u> <u>determined purpose and foreknowledge</u> you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death. In other words, <u>it has been determined</u>. It is not being determined by the priests who are now conspiring and Judas. That is not where the determination was made. <u>The determination was made</u> <u>back before the world was ever created!</u>
- Christ was crucified from the foundations of the earth. It was always God omniscience, knowing all things. From the beginning before He created man, He knew man would fail. But <u>God had</u> designed to manifest His love by the sending of His Son, according to the determined counsel and foreknowledge of God. It is all a part of God's divine foreknowledge. A part of God's plan.

Luk 22:22 And <u>truly the Son of Man goes</u> as it <u>has been determined</u>, but <u>woe to that man</u> by whom He is betrayed!"

- There is also a responsibility. God's purposes are going to be accomplished. We <u>can become</u>, or we <u>can refuse</u> to be instruments through which God's purposes are accomplished!
- When the Jewish nation was facing extermination, during their captivity under the Persian empire, Esther had become the queen. Haman had determined to put the Jews to death because of his absolute hatred of Mordecai! Mordecai sent a message into Esther to let her know of the decree that Haman had the king sign, encouraging her to go to the king and to seek a reprieve.
- She responded, saying you do not understand the protocol of the king's court. You just do not go into the king without being invited.
- Mordecai sent back, saying do you think that if this edict goes through that you are going to escape even though you are there in the palace? He said, "But if you fail at this time, their delivery will arise from another quarter.
- God is going to accomplish His purpose! I can be God's instrument and be used of God in accomplishing those purposes. But if I am not, then God will raise up another instrument!
- So, with Judas, it was determined! Judas did not have to be an instrument, but he had opened the door. He allowed Satan to come in and now he was acting as an instrument of Satan.

# *Luk 22:23* Then they began to question among themselves, <u>which of them</u> it was who <u>would</u> <u>do this thing</u>.

- (Mar 14:18-19) Now as they sat and ate, Jesus said, "Assuredly, I say to you, <u>one of you who eats</u> with Me will betray Me." [19] And they began to be sorrowful, and to say to Him one by one, "Is it I?" And another said, "Is it I?"
- It is interesting that they really did not seem to suspect Judas. When Jesus said that they all began to say, <u>Lord, *is it I*?</u> I do not know my own heart. Could I do such a thing? Lord, *is it I*? They did not say, oh, I have been suspicious of Judas all the way along. He just has not fit into the group. They began to look at themselves. Lord, *is it I*?
- Is it I? Is that not a question for each of us? Lord, have I betrayed your trust? Am I always obedient to Your call? How have I betrayed You in my disobedience? Is it I? Lord, is it I?

## Who Is the Greatest?

*Luk 22:24 Now there was also <u>a dispute</u> (loving to quarrel) among them, as to <u>which of them</u> should <u>be considered the greatest</u>.* 

- The disciples not only questioned who the betrayer was, but <u>even at such a solemn moment</u>, they began to dispute among themselves as to <u>which of them</u> should be considered the greatest!
- Can you imagine this? At this point when He is talking about His death? I am going to be suffering. I am not going to eat of the bread until I eat it anew in the kingdom; or drink of the vine until I drink of it in the kingdom. Here they are now arguing with each other again, striving with each other, as to who was going to be the greatest when His kingdom was set up.

# Luk 22:25 And He said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles <u>exercise lordship over them</u>, and those who exercise authority over them are called 'benefactors.'

- *The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them.* That is a trait of the heathen. The exercising of lordship over people.
- *Those who exercise authority over them are called 'benefactors.* That is what the heathen are like. But that shall not be so, among you.

# Luk 22:26 But <u>not so among</u> you; on the contrary, <u>he who is greatest among you</u>, <u>let him be as</u> <u>the younger</u>, and <u>he who governs as he who serves</u>.

- Let him be as the younger. In that society, the older ones always controlled the situation. The younger were always there as servants. They were in a tutoring kind of a thing, learning how to rule, learning how to govern, serving those who were governing. But Jesus said, Let the greatest among you be as one who is younger, who is serving.
- John tells us that at this point or just before this, Jesus had washed their feet and He said, Do you see what I have done? And they said yes. He said, "You call me Master and Lord and that is correct, I am but if I, being your Master and Lord have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's. (*Mrk 9:35*) And He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "If anyone desires to be first, he shall be last of all and servant of all.
- That is the order that Jesus gave for the church. Too often, the hierarchy that has been established is so unbiblical. The setting up on a pedestal, the building of ivory towers. That attitude that we so often see manifested in the ministry of being a little above and thus to be catered to is so absolutely wrong. Jesus said, <u>If you want to be great, learn to be a servant of all!</u> That is <u>so important</u> in the ministry!

# Luk 22:27 For who is greater, he who sits at the table, or he who serves? <u>Is it not he who sits at the table</u>? Yet <u>I am among you as the One who serves</u>.

• **The One who serves.** (Joh 13:3-4) Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was going to God, [4] rose from supper and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself...began to wash the disciples' feet!

Luk 22:28-30 "But you are those who have continued with Me in My trials. [29] And <u>I bestow</u> upon you a kingdom, just as My Father bestowed one upon Me, [30] <u>that you may eat and</u> <u>drink at My table</u> in My kingdom, and <u>sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel</u>." • In other words, you are going to have your place, all of you will have your place. When the kingdom is established, you will be sitting on the twelve <u>thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel</u>.

### Jesus Foretells Peter's Denial

*Luk 22:31 And the Lord said, "Simon, Simon! Indeed, <u>Satan has asked for you</u> (humas – plural), <u>that he may sift you</u> as wheat.* 

- *Asked for you!* The "*you*" there is plural! Satan wanted to have all the disciples to sift them. Notice how Satan has an interest in sifting each one of us, if we are doing enough to get his attention!
- We see here that Satan asked to sift all of the disciples. Is there enough effective witness and Christ likeness in my life that Satan would ever ask Jesus for permission to sift me as wheat?

# Luk 22:32 But <u>I have prayed for you</u>, that <u>your faith should not fail</u>; and <u>when you have</u> <u>returned</u> to Me, <u>strengthen your brethren</u>."

- All of them would forsake Him and flee, and Peter would deny Him three times; yet Jesus prayed especially for Peter, that he would encourage the other disciples. "*Strengthen your brethren*" referring to Peter's repentance and restoration to ministry.
- Notice how Jesus prayed for Peter. He did not pray <u>that Peter could escape the sifting</u> of Satan. Satan has desired you. He wants to sift you like wheat. He wants to put you through the grinder. He wants to pulverize you. But I have prayed for you <u>that your faith will not fail</u>.
- If we could have our way, we would escape every bit of pain and suffering that comes along. Often our prayers are for escape. None of us really like to suffer. None of us like going through trials. None of us like the tests. Being shortsighted, we fail to realize that it is through the tests that we grow.
- One might think that if I serve the Lord, it ought to be just all rosy and beautiful. But that is not the case. Jesus did not pray that Peter would not be sifted. He prayed that his faith would not fail. God uses the sifting process or the trials and the tests to develop our character but also to develop our confidence and faith in God, realizing that God is able to help us through any experience that we face. That we might gain as we are going through suffering, I am comforted by God, I am helped by God, As I learn firsthand of how God can minister to me in suffering, which then enables me to minister to others who are suffering through the same things that I went through.
- Here Peter was going to fail in courage. But not in faith. \_. He was ready to step out in faith and that place of his greatest personal strength is the place that Satan did attack him. As Satan usually will not attack your weak place, <u>he will attack your strong place</u> because <u>in your weak places</u>, <u>you know you have to trust</u> the Lord.

# Luk 22:33-34 But he said to Him, "Lord, I am ready to go with You, both to prison and to death." [34] Then He said, "I tell you, <u>Peter, the rooster shall not crow this day</u> before <u>you will deny three times</u> that you know Me."

- **Remember it is evening. This evening Jesus is going to be arrested and taken** to the house of Caiaphas. Before morning comes, before the daylight comes, before the rooster ever crows, Peter will have denied three times that he knew the Lord. Confidence in himself. Beware of self-confidence!
- Paul wrote, (2Co 12:9) And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. [10] Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in needs, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake. For <u>when I am weak, then I am strong</u>. Where I am weak and when I am weak, and I know it, I am <u>more prone to rely upon Him</u>! As I rely upon Him, then I have His strength, which is imparted to me, and I can stand!
- Whenever you rely upon yourself, even at your best day, you are no match for Satan. When you think you are, you are doomed to have a disappointing experience of failure. God allows failure. God allowed Peter's failure. God knew it was going to come. Jesus was saying Peter, you are going to deny Me three times that you know Me. Before the morning light comes, you are going to fail!

## Scripture Must Be Fulfilled in Jesus

Luk 22:35 And He said to them, "When I sent you without money bag, knapsack, and sandals, <u>did you lack anything</u>?" So they said, "Nothing."

• That is, when He sent the seventy out, He said I sent you out with *nothing*! (*Mat 10:5,9*) These twelve Jesus sent out and commanded them, saying: "Do not go into the way of the Gentiles, and do not enter a city of the Samaritans. [9] Provide neither gold nor silver nor copper in your money belts.

Luk 22:36 Then He said to them, "<u>But now</u>, he <u>who has a money bag</u>, <u>let him take it</u>, and likewise a knapsack; and he <u>who has no sword</u>, let him <u>sell his garment and buy one</u>.

- In other words, fellows, tough days are coming. It is not going to be easy. Jesus is saying, "I am on the point of leaving you, and when I am gone, you must use common sense means for provision and protection." Such practical considerations, which were not needed before, but are needed now.
- Sell his garment and buy one. These instructions were quite different from those He had given before (Luk 9:3) And He said to them, "Take nothing for the journey, neither staffs nor bag nor bread nor money; and do not have two tunics apiece. Before, the disciples were being trained. Now, however, He would no longer be with them. After that night, they must go forth into the world on their permanent mission, and they must have the usual means of survival in a hostile world.

Luk 22:37 For I say to you that this which is written must still be accomplished in Me: 'AND HE WAS NUMBERED WITH THE TRANSGRESSORS.' For the things concerning Me have an end."

• What has been written? (Isa 53:12b) And He was numbered with the transgressors, And He bore the sin of many, And made intercession for the transgressors. The prophecies concerning His death, that which was written must be fulfilled,

# Luk 22:38 So they said, "Lord, look, here are <u>two swords</u>." And He said to them, "<u>It is</u> <u>enough.</u>"

• The disciples were still not understanding. *Two swords*. The Lord simply told them to quit talking about it, knowing they would not really understand until later.

## SUMMARY

- How much do I desire to partake of Communion? Is it just a ritual to me? Do I prayerfully and thankfully pray to more fully understand and appreciate the totality of what my Lord and Savior accomplished for me on the cross? Do I really "do this in remembrance of Me! (of Jesus, the Lamb of God!)" Luke 22:15)
- As I take the bread, do I remember and ponder this verse? "<u>He took bread</u>, gave thanks, and <u>broke it</u>, and <u>gave it to them</u>, saying, "<u>This is My body (the Lamb of God, not a</u> <u>sacrificial temple lamb) which is given (sacrificed) for you; do this in remembrance of</u> <u>Me.</u>" (Luke 22:19)
- As I take the cup, do I remember that His blood, His life was poured out on Calvary's cross? Jesus' blood made the new covenant possible, confirmed with the life of God Himself; and that by the application of His shed blood, I have passed from death to life forever! Wow! Oh thank You, Jesus Christ my Lord and Savior! (Luke 22:20)
- Is it I? Is that not a question for each of us? Lord, have I betrayed your trust? Am I always obedient to Your call? How have I betrayed You? Lord, is it I? (Luke 22:23)
- We see here that Satan asked to sift all of the disciples. Is there enough effective witness and Christ likeness in my life that Satan would ever ask Jesus for permission to sift me as wheat? (Luke 22:31)

## AT THE CROSS Terry Butler (2:17/2:20)

I know a place, a wonderful place Where accused and condemned Find mercy and grace Where the wrongs we have done And the wrongs done to us Were nailed there with You There on the cross

At the cross (at the cross) You died for our sin At the cross (at the cross) You gave us life again (4x)

CLOSING PRAYER

NEXT WEEK: Read and study *Luke Chapter 22:39-71!*