

At-A-Glance: Ages 8-9 Kings & Kingdoms Part 1: The Life of Jesus Unit 3, Lesson 15

## Jesus and the Last Supper

Lesson Aim: To see communion as a declaration of the new covenant between God and sinners.

## THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: What is your favorite thing to eat for supper?

**GAME:** Race to Supper

### THE WORSHIP JESUS AS THE KING WHO LOVES

Read Worship Scripture: John 6:51

Sing songs and worship God. (Use the Seven Stars of Lent activity if this lesson occurs during the 40 days before Easter.)

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Kingdom Adventures script or read storybook.

# THE WORD JESUS GIVES HIS DISCIPLES A WAY TO REMEMBER HIM Children sign note cards: place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: Jesus washed His disciples' feet.

**Today**, we will learn about Jesus' Last Supper. Point to the town of Jerusalem. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Luke 22:7-20. Find It First. Highlight Key Verse: Luke 22:19-20. Pray. Read.

#### THE WAY JESUS GAVE US A WAY TO REMEMBER HIM

Seat children in a circle or at a table. Have juice and bread or crackers as snack (not as Holy Communion).

Who did Jesus send to prepare the Passover meal? (Peter and John.) How does the beginning of this story prove that Jesus knew everything that was going to happen? (He knew about the man with the jar and the homeowner would give his upper room.)

What did Jesus say the bread stands for? (His body.) Jesus' body on the cross took the punishment for our sin. What does the cup stand for? (His blood.) His blood was given for the forgiveness of

our sins. Some of us are uncomfortable talking about blood but blood working inside your body is good. Blood brings life; it keeps your body alive! The perfect blood of Jesus brings us life forever close with God. Every time we eat the bread or drink from the cup, what does Jesus wants us to do? (Remember Him.) Why do you think Jesus wants us to remember why He died?

The Bible tells believers to gather and remember Jesus by sharing the bread and the cup called the Lord's Supper or Holy Communion. When your parents say you are ready, you may take part in this sacrament. Have any of you seen or participated in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper (Holy Communion)?

#### CHRIST CONNECTION:

What is a covenant? (A promise or agreement.) In the old covenant, God promised if they obeyed Him fully, He would make them His treasured possession. Were they able to always obey? (No, everyone sins.) 600 years before the Last Supper, the Lord described the new covenant Jesus would bring us. Listen for the five actions the Lord promises to take in this new covenant. Reveal Jeremiah 31:31-34. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

What are the five actions the Lord promises to take? (Put His law in their minds, write it on their hearts, be their God, forgive their wickedness, remember their sins no more.) If you are a believer, these promises are between you and God. Which of these five promises is most meaningful to you?

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

#### **FINAL FIVE MINUTES:**

- TREASURE TREAT: Communion cup
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Jesus at the Last Supper with His disciples
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

#### **GOT TIME?**

SNACK: Remembering Jesus
GAME: I Remember When Jesus...
CRAFT: Remembering Jesus Placemats

**DISCUSSION:** From Passover to the Last Supper

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Circle Tag, Heart Toss

**BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW**