



“The Lamb of God and the Scattered Sheep”

Sunday, October 15, 2023 | Text: Matthew 26:26-35

I. The institution of the Lord’s Supper (vs. 26-30)

- A. Lord’s Supper’s connection to Passover (1 Cor. 5:7)
 - Lamb without blemish (Ex. 12:5)
 - Need for substitution (Ex. 12:12-13)
 - God’s judgment and deliverance (Ex. 12:23-27, 31-32)

B. The symbolism of blood (Lev. 17:11; Heb. 9:7, 22)

C. The blood of Christ (Acts 20:28; Rom. 5:9; 1 Peter 1:18-19)

D. The New Covenant (Jer. 31:31-34; 1 Cor. 11:23-26; Heb. 8)

II. The disciples will deny Christ (vs. 31-35)

A. Prophecy fulfilled (Zech. 13:7-9)

B. Peter’s pride (Matt. 16:21-23)

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Q. 174. What is required of them that receive the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper in the time of the administration of it?

A. It is required of them that receive the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper, that, during the time of the administration of it, with all holy reverence and attention they wait upon God in that ordinance, diligently observe the sacramental elements and actions, heedfully discern the Lord’s body, and affectionately meditate on his death and sufferings, and thereby stir up themselves to a vigorous exercise of their graces; in judging themselves and sorrowing for sin; in earnest hungering and thirsting after Christ, feeding on him by faith, receiving of

his fulness, trusting in his merits, rejoicing in his love, giving thanks for his grace; in renewing of their covenant with God, and love to all the saints.

Q. 175. What is the duty of Christians, after they have received the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper?

A. The duty of Christians, after they have received the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper, is seriously to consider how they have behaved themselves therein, and with what success; if they find quickening and comfort, to bless God for it, beg the continuance of it, watch against relapses, fulfill their vows, and encourage themselves to a frequent attendance on that ordinance: but if they find no present benefit, more exactly to review their preparation to, and carriage at, the Sacrament; in both which, if they can approve themselves to God and their own consciences, they are to wait for the fruit of it in due time: but, if they see that they have failed in either, they are to be humbled, and to attend upon it afterward with more care and diligence.

Next Sunday’s Sermon: Matthew 26:36-46

Today’s Key Insight! If you were to share a key insight from today’s sermon with a friend, what would you say? In a sentence or two, write down here what you would say:

Discussion Questions: In what ways does the Passover foreshadow Jesus’ crucifixion? What is the significance of the “blood” of Jesus? What are some of the promises of the New Covenant (Jer. 31; Heb. 8)? Who struck the Shepherd? Why? How many of the disciples would stumble in the upcoming hours? What is the significance of the Lord’s Supper? How do we prepare for the Lord’s Supper?

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