

A crown of thorns made of dry, brown branches with sharp red thorns is positioned in the upper right. Below it, a simple wooden cross is visible. The background is a textured, brownish-grey surface. A black, ribbed fabric is draped across the bottom left and middle right.

ROAD
To the
CROSS

The Final
Days of Jesus

Main Point

- ☐ Take time to remember
- ☐ *“This do in remembrance of me.”*



“On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, when it was customary to sacrifice the Passover lamb, Jesus’ disciples asked him, “Where do you want us to go and make preparations for you to eat the Passover?””



Mark 14:12 NIV

“So he sent two of his disciples, telling them, “Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him. Say to the owner of the house he enters, ‘The Teacher asks: Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?’”



Mark 14:13-14 NIV

“He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there.” The disciples left, went into the city and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover.”



Mark 14:15-16 NIV

Preparation

- ❑ Jesus planned everything ahead of time
 - ❑ Man carrying the jar
 - ❑ Owner of the house knowing “the Teacher”
 - ❑ Fully furnished room



Preparation: What Do We Do With It?

- ❑ Prepare our hearts
- ❑ Quiet ourselves
- ❑ Notice the nudge-worthy moments



“When evening came, Jesus arrived with the Twelve. While they were reclining at the table eating, he said, “Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me—one who is eating with me.”



Mark 14:17-18 NIV

“They were saddened, and one by one they said to him, ‘Surely you don’t mean me?’”



Mark 14:19 NIV

“It is one of the Twelve,” he replied, “one who dips bread into the bowl with me. The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born.”



Mark 14:20-21 NIV

Prophecy

- ❑ Someone eating with Jesus will betray Him
- ❑ Psalm 41:9
- ❑ “Surely You don’t mean me?”
- ❑ Confirms Old Testament prophecy
- ❑ Condemns the one who betrays Him



Prophecy: What Do We Do With It?

- ❑ Remember “surely not me.”
- ❑ Remember our choices matter
- ❑ Remember we do have weaknesses and vulnerabilities



“While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take it; this is my body.” Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and they all drank from it.”



Mark 14:22-23 NIV

“This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many,” he said to them. “Truly I tell you, I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.” When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.



Mark 14:24-26 NIV

Partake

- ❑ Taking of communion
- ❑ Bread as the body
 - ❑ His presence
- ❑ The blood
 - ❑ His sacrifice to seal the covenant



Partake: What Do We Do With It?

- ❑ Remember the sacrifice
 - ❑ Jesus' life and His death
- ❑ Remember the hope we have
 - ❑ The story didn't end with Jesus' death



Closing

- ❑ Prepare
 - ❑ You can prepare anytime
- ❑ Prophecies
 - ❑ Remember to be on guard
- ❑ Partake
 - ❑ Come before God and remember Jesus' sacrifice and our hope in Him

