

Broken for You

1st - 3rd Grade
Lesson 9

In Remembrance of Christ

It was the night before Jesus was going to die. Jesus told His disciples to find a room where they could eat the Passover meal. This meal was a reminder of the last meal God's people ate in the land of Egypt. Do you remember the story? During that night in Egypt, the death angel passed over the houses that had the blood of a lamb sprinkled on the doorposts. God told His people to celebrate the Passover every year so they would remember how He helped them.

After dinner, Jesus gave each of the disciples a piece of flat bread and some grape juice. He told them to eat and drink it often to remember His death. In this lesson, we will see why Jesus chose bread and grape juice for this reminder.

The Bread of Passover

The Passover bread was special. It was not light and soft like bread we use for sandwiches. It was flat and crusty. Have you ever watched your mom or grandma make homemade bread? If so, you saw them put in some powder called yeast. Yeast makes the dough soft and fluffy. In the Bible, it is called leaven. The Bible says that sin in our lives is like yeast. It grows bigger and bigger. The bread for the Passover meal was made without yeast. It is a picture of Jesus Who has no sin.

The Bread of Life

Bread is an important food. Our bodies need the grain that bread is made from. Jesus called Himself "the bread of life" (John 6:48). That is because we cannot have eternal life without Him.

My Father giveth you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world.

—John 6:32b-33

Some people think they can have eternal life in Heaven if they do nice things for people. Some people think they can go to Heaven if they go to church. Some people think they can go to Heaven if they give money to the church. But the only way to have eternal life is to believe in Jesus and ask Him to be your Savior. A person who does not know Jesus cannot go to Heaven.

The Lord's Table

The Lord's Table reminds us that Jesus died on the cross. It also reminds us that He shed His blood to pay for our sins.

For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.

—I Corinthians 11:26

