The Lord's Supper Matthew 26:17-30

Jesus and his disciples celebrate their final Passover together on earth

I. Context: The Passion account (Chapters 26, 27, 28)

II. vss 17-19: The Lord's command and the disciples' obedience (to prepare the Passover)

Application: Obey Jesus Christ's commands in Scripture

III. vss 20-25: The Lord's prediction and the disciples' self-examination

Jesus eagerly desired to eat this Passover (Lk 22:15)

The revelation of a betrayer at the table prompts self-examination "Is it I, Lord?"

1 Corinthians 11:22-32

- 1) You must be born-again
- 2) You must trust that the finished work of Christ pardons your sin and covers your continuing weakness

Application: Examine yourself before the Lord's Day Communion

Judas did not repent

IV. vss 26-29: The Lord's command and the disciples' obedience (to eat and drink)

The meaning of the Lord's Supper

A new Passover

A covenant in His blood

Forgiveness of sins

A gift

The errant Roman Catholic view

An invitation - a Biblical "altar call"

The imperatival force – *Take*, *eat*, *drink* are all commands

Application: Eat and drink at the Lord's Table every Sunday

V. vs. 30: Sing Hallel (Psalms 113-118)