Audio Transcript of Sermon April 5, 2023 Passover

My name is Tom Laign with Sabbath Bible Study. Tonight we are observing the Christian Passover, a time of solemn observance. Tonight we commemorate the sacrifice of Jesus Christ and His final instructions to the disciples. As Jesus shared the night with his disciples, only those who are of the faith should be observing the Passover. It is not an observance of a curious interest, but a continual commitment to live according to the words of Jesus.

Only the worthy should observe the Passover because those who partake of the Passover who are unworthy eat and drink damnation to themselves. Those who are worthy are those who are of the faith who also judge themselves so that there is no need of being judged by others, knowing that without the sacrifice of Jesus Christ there would be no hope of salvation. First Corinthians eleven verse twenty-three.

1 Corinthians 11:23-31

- 23. For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread:
- 24. And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.
- 25. After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.
- 26. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.
- 27. Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.
- 28. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.
- 29. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.
- 30. For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep.
- 31. For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged.

It was during this Passover night, the night before the feast of the Passover, the night we are observing tonight, that Jesus gave the example of foot washing, an act of service commonly performed by a common household servant. Jesus taught this act of service knowing that Judas would betray him. Judas valued money more than eternal life. He valued the things of this world more than the Kingdom of God and God's righteousness, and for those observing tonight, we must value eternal life, God's righteousness, and the Kingdom of God more than anything we have on earth. We must understand that the death of Jesus Christ was a huge price to pay for the sins of mankind, and we cannot take His sacrifice lightly. Let's read the account in John thirteen verse one.

John 13:1:1-17

- 1. Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.
- 2. And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;
- 3. Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God;
- 4. He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself.
- 5. After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded.
- 6. Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and Peter saith unto him, Lord, dost thou wash my feet?
- 7. Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter.
- 8. Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me.
- 9. Simon Peter saith unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head.
- 10. Jesus saith to him, He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all.
- 11. For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, Ye are not all clean.
- 12. So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you?

- 13. Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am.
- 14. If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet.
- 15. For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.
- 16. Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him.
- 17. If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

Jesus then gave an example of washing the disciples feet and then explained we also ought to wash one another's feet. For those observing in a group who are physically able, now is the time to do as Jesus taught and wash one another's feet. For those who are physically unable or observing alone, your willingness to participate even if unable is sufficient. If you are in a group, now would be the time to pause this recording for the foot washing.

[Pause for foot washing]

Jesus even washed the feet of the disciple Who He knew would betray Him. It was only after the foot washing that Jesus clearly revealed that one of the disciples would betray him. John thirteen verse eighteen.

John 13:18-30

- 18. I speak not of you all: I know whom I have chosen: but that the scripture may be fulfilled, He that eateth bread with me hath lifted up his heel against me.
- 19. Now I tell you before it come, that, when it is come to pass, ye may believe that I am he.
- 20. Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that receiveth whomsoever I send receiveth me; and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me.
- 21. When Jesus had thus said, he was troubled in spirit, and testified, and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me.
- 22. Then the disciples looked one on another, doubting of whom he spake.
- 23. Now there was leaning on Jesus' bosom one of his disciples, whom Jesus loved.
- 24. Simon Peter therefore beckoned to him, that he should ask who it should be of whom he spake.
- 25. He then lying on Jesus' breast saith unto him, Lord, who is it?

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- 26. Jesus answered, He it is, to whom I shall give a sop, when I have dipped it. And when he had dipped the sop, he gave it to Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon.
- 27. And after the sop Satan entered into him. Then said Jesus unto him, That thou doest, do quickly.
- 28. Now no man at the table knew for what intent he spake this unto him.
- 29. For some of them thought, because Judas had the bag, that Jesus had said unto him, Buy those things that we have need of against the feast; or, that he should give something to the poor.
- 30. He then having received the sop went immediately out: and it was night.

When Judas left the other disciples were not aware of why he left, and Jesus taught the remaining disciples of the need to love one another. He commanded them to love one another, and as we observe this Passover in a worthy manner, it is in part because we have love for each other. Verse thirty-one.

John 13:31-35

- 31. Therefore, when he was gone out, Jesus said, Now is the Son of man glorified, and God is glorified in him.
- 32. If God be glorified in him, God shall also glorify him in himself, and shall straightway glorify him.
- 33. Little children, yet a little while I am with you. Ye shall seek me: and as I said unto the Jews, Whither I go, ye cannot come; so now I say to you.
- 34. A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.
- 35. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

Jesus next took bread, and because of the Pasover season, it would have been unleavened bread. He broke this bread giving it to the disciples to eat. That evening they would not fully understand that the symbol of the bread would be a reminder of the torture His body would endure. What others would see as defeat and death was needed to bring salvation and eternal life for all. We can see some of the verbal abuse that Jesus endured in Mark fifteen verse twenty-seven.

Mark 15:27-32

27. And with him they crucify two thieves; the one on his right hand, and the other on his left.

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- 28. And the scripture was fulfilled, which saith, And he was numbered with the transgressors.
- 29. And they that passed by railed on him, wagging their heads, and saying, Ah, thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days,
- 30. Save thyself, and come down from the cross.
- 31. Likewise also the chief priests mocking said among themselves with the scribes, He saved others; himself he cannot save.
- 32. Let Christ the King of Israel descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with him reviled him.

The scripture that was fulfilled was the twenty-second Psalm, that describes some of the physical torture that was endured. Let's read Psalm twenty-two starting in verse one.

Psalm 22:1-31

- 1. My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? why art thou so far from helping me, and from the words of my roaring?
- 2. O my God, I cry in the daytime, but thou hearest not; and in the night season, and am not silent.
- 3. But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel.
- 4. Our fathers trusted in thee: they trusted, and thou didst deliver them.
- 5. They cried unto thee, and were delivered: they trusted in thee, and were not confounded.
- 6. But I am a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people.
- 7. All they that see me laugh me to scorn: they shoot out the lip, they shake the head, saying,
- 8. He trusted on the LORD that he would deliver him: let him deliver him, seeing he delighted in him.
- 9. But thou art he that took me out of the womb: thou didst make me hope when I was upon my mother's breasts.
- 10. I was cast upon thee from the womb: thou art my God from my mother's belly.
- 11. Be not far from me; for trouble is near; for there is none to help.
- 12. Many bulls have compassed me: strong bulls of Bashan have beset me round.
- 13. They gaped upon me with their mouths, as a ravening and a roaring lion.

- 14. I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint: my heart is like wax; it is melted in the midst of my bowels.
- 15. My strength is dried up like a potsherd; and my tongue cleaveth to my jaws; and thou hast brought me into the dust of death.
- 16. For dogs have compassed me: the assembly of the wicked have inclosed me: they pierced my hands and my feet.
- 17. I may tell all my bones: they look and stare upon me.
- 18. They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture.
- 19. But be not thou far from me, O LORD: O my strength, haste thee to help me.
- 20. Deliver my soul from the sword; my darling from the power of the dog.
- 21. Save me from the lion's mouth: for thou hast heard me from the horns of the unicorns.
- 22. I will declare thy name unto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.
- 23. Ye that fear the LORD, praise him; all ye the seed of Jacob, glorify him; and fear him, all ye the seed of Israel.
- 24. For he hath not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; neither hath he hid his face from him; but when he cried unto him, he heard.
- 25. My praise shall be of thee in the great congregation: I will pay my vows before them that fear him.
- 26. The meek shall eat and be satisfied: they shall praise the LORD that seek him: your heart shall live for ever.
- 27. All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee.
- 28. For the kingdom is the LORD'S: and he is the governor among the nations.
- 29. All they that be fat upon earth shall eat and worship: all they that go down to the dust shall bow before him: and none can keep alive his own soul.
- 30. A seed shall serve him; it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation.
- 31. They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness unto a people that shall be born, that he hath done this.

The words of Psalm twenty-two were fulfilled during the crucifixion, as Jesus was crucified in the company of criminals, taking verbal abuse, and experiencing physical torture. The excruciating pain of the nails being driven through His body, and the pull of gravity weakened the body until Jesus was hanging like a piece of meat with dogs ready to enjoy their feast. It is with this background of the abuse

and torture that Jesus took bread, blessed it, and broke it into pieces explaining that the bread was a symbol of His body. Matthew twenty-six verse twenty-six.

Matthew 26:26

26. And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body.

As we remember that Jesus's body was broken in a horrific manner so that we can live, after first asking God's blessing on the unleavened bread, we should break the unleavened bread and eat it, and in doing this we remember that Jesus was tortured on the cross before His death.

Let us pray. Our Father in heaven, we come before you on this Passover and ask for your blessing on this bread knowing that it represents the broken body of Jesus Christ during His sacrifice, how He endured torture so that all of us can have access to eternal life. We know that as Jesus was crucified he experienced horrible pain, and as the energy drained from his body before him was a rowdy crowd hurling insults at him, with dogs circling below. We thank you for the death of Jesus Christ because without His death and forgiveness of sin, there is nothing we could do to attain salvation. Eternal life and salvation is a gift made possible by the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Now is the time to pause this recording to break and eat unleavened bread, whether by yourself or in a group.

[Pause for breaking and eating of unleavened bread]

Life is contained in the blood and only the blood of Jesus Christ gives people access to salvation and eternal life. In the Old Testament, God never allowed the consumption of blood in sacrifices because blood is the source of physical life. The blood of animals never could give access to life. Only the sacrifice of Jesus gives access to eternal life. This is why after Jesus gave the disciples broken bread representing His body, he then gave them wine, likely red wine, symbolizing his blood. Let's read Matthew twenty-six verse twenty-seven.

Matthew 26:27-29

- 27. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;
- 28. For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.
- 29. But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.

All who are observing the Passover should at this time after asking God's blessing, take a sip of red wine. By drinking red wine we are remembering the spilled blood of Jesus so that we can have eternal life.

Let us pray. Our Father in heaven, we ask for Your blessing on this wine as it is a reminder of the blood of Jesus that has been shed so that we can have eternal life. We acknowledge the horrific nature by which the life of Jesus was taken from Him, and that Jesus gave his life willingly so that we could live and have our sins forgiven. We know without His sacrifice, there would be no hope for us. We thank you for the death and resurrection of Jesus knowing it gives us hope for eternal life. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen

Now is the time to pause this recording to drink wine, whether by yourself or in a group.

[Pause for drinking a sip of red wine]

With all of the symbols of the evening that the disciples were learning, with the departure of Judas and the command to love each other, the disciples were not yet understanding the significance of what was happening. We must never take for granted the significance of the sacrifice of Jesus because when we do we are like Peter who denied Jesus three times before morning. John thirteen verse thirty-six.

John 13:36-38

36. Simon Peter said unto him, Lord, whither goest thou? Jesus answered him, Whither I go, thou canst not follow me now; but thou shalt follow me afterwards.

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- 37. Peter said unto him, Lord, why cannot I follow thee now? I will lay down my life for thy sake.
- 38. Jesus answered him, Wilt thou lay down thy life for my sake? Verily, verily, I say unto thee, The cock shall not crow, till thou hast denied me thrice.

Let's continue in John fourteen.

John 14:1-31

- 1. Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.
- 2. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.
- 3. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.
- 4. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.
- 5. Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?
- 6. Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
- 7. If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.
- 8. Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.
- 9. Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father?
- 10. Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.
- 11. Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.
- 12. Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.
- 13. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.
- 14. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.
- 15. If ye love me, keep my commandments.

- 16. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;
- 17. Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.
- 18. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.
- 19. Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.
- 20. At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.
- 21. He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.
- 22. Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world?
- 23. Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.
- 24. He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.
- 25. These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you.
- 26. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.
- 27. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.
- 28. Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.
- 29. And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe.
- 30. Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.
- 31. But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go hence.

John Fifteen.

John 15:1-27

- 1. I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.
- 2. Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.
- 3. Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.
- 4. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.
- 5. I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.
- 6. If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned.
- 7. If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.
- 8. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.
- 9. As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.
- 10. If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.
- 11. These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.
- 12. This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.
- 13. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.
- 14. Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.
- 15. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.
- 16. Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.
- 17. These things I command you, that ye love one another.
- 18. If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you.
- 19. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.

- 20. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also.
- 21. But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me.
- 22. If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloke for their sin.
- 23. He that hateth me hateth my Father also.
- 24. If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father.
- 25. But this cometh to pass, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause.
- 26. But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:
- 27. And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning.

Let's continue with John sixteen.

John 16:1-33

- 1. These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended.
- 2. They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service.
- 3. And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me.
- 4. But these things have I told you, that when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them. And these things I said not unto you at the beginning, because I was with you.
- 5. But now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou?
- 6. But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart.
- 7. Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

- 8. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:
- 9. Of sin, because they believe not on me;
- 10. Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;
- 11. Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.
- 12. I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.
- 13. Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.
- 14. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.
- 15. All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.
- 16. A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father.
- 17. Then said some of his disciples among themselves, What is this that he saith unto us, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me: and, Because I go to the Father?
- 18. They said therefore, What is this that he saith, A little while? we cannot tell what he saith.
- 19. Now Jesus knew that they were desirous to ask him, and said unto them, Do ye enquire among yourselves of that I said, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me?
- 20. Verily, verily, I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy.
- 21. A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world.
- 22. And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.
- 23. And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you.
- 24. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.
- 25. These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: but the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall shew you plainly of the Father.

- 26. At that day ye shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you:
- 27. For the Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God.
- 28. I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father.
- 29. His disciples said unto him, Lo, now speakest thou plainly, and speakest no proverb.
- 30. Now are we sure that thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask thee: by this we believe that thou camest forth from God.
- 31. Jesus answered them, Do ye now believe?
- 32. Behold, the hour cometh, yea, is now come, that ye shall be scattered, every man to his own, and shall leave me alone: and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me.
- 33. These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

When most people might have focused on just themselves and their immediate needs, Jesus prayed for his followers. John seventeen.

John 17:1-26

- 1. These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee:
- 2. As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him.
- 3. And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.
- 4. I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do.
- 5. And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was.
- 6. I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word.
- 7. Now they have known that all things whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee.

- 8. For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me.
- 9. I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine.
- 10. And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them.
- 11. And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are.
- 12. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled.
- 13. And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves.
- 14. I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.
- 15. I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.
- 16. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.
- 17. Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.
- 18. As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.
- 19. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.
- 20. Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;
- 21. That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.
- 22. And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:
- 23. I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.
- 24. Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.

- 25. O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee: but I have known thee, and these have known that thou hast sent me.
- 26. And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it: that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.

It was shortly after this time that Judas arrived with the priests and Jesus was arrested. One final piece of the evening is recorded for us. After the foot washing, breaking of bread and eating it, and drinking red wine, we see that a hymn was sung before leaving to the mount of Olives. Matthew twenty-six verse thirty.

Matthew 26:30

30. And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives.

After the conclusion of this recording, it is appropriate to finish by singing a hymn. God-willing we'll get together next time on the First Day of Unleavened Bread.