We continue stedfastly in prayer, and in the ministry of the word.

Acts 6: 4 ASV

Christ going to Passover Communion Message

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 Welcome to fellowship. We continue stedfastly in doctrine, fellowship, breaking of bread, and in prayers.

• Let our voices unite in prayer.

- My Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Luke 11: 2
- I come boldly unto the throne of grace, that I may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4: 16
- My body is the temple of the Holy Spirit. I Corinthians 6: 19
- The place in which the Holy Spirit dwells, I Corinthians 6: 20

- the instrument through which the Holy Spirit works. I Corinthians 6: 20
- Let mine eye look upon no evil thing. Romans 12: 1
- Let my tongue speak no filthy thing. Romans 12: 1
- Let mine hand do no lawless deed. Romans 12: 1
- Let my body, with all its energies and powers, be a living sacrifice. Romans 12: 1
- Let me do good works also. Romans 12: 2

- Let my hand do alms. Romans 12: 2
- Let my mouth bless. Romans 12: 2
- Let my ear find leisure hearing Scripture. Romans 12: 2
- Let my service be Holy and acceptable unto God. Romans 12: 2
- Let me put on kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering, forgiveness and above all charity, which is the bond of perfectness. Colossians 3: 12-14

- Let me put off; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication and lying. Colossians 3: 8-9
- Asking all in Jesus name. John 14: 14 Amen.

Let's worship in song, listen first then sing.
 HAPPY ALL THE TIME
 Hymn #1

- 1. I-I-I'm inright, outright, upright, downright, happy all the time.
 - I'm inright, outright, upright, downright, happy all the time.
 - Since Jesus Christ came in, and cleansed my heart from sin;
 - I'm inright, outright, upright, downright, happy all the time.

NEXT

2. I-I-I'm inright, outright, upright, downright, happy all the time.

I'm inright, outright, upright, downright, happy all the time.

Since Jesus Christ came in, and cleansed my heart from sin;

I'm inright, outright, upright, downright, happy all the time.

NEXT

3. I-I-I'm inright, outright, upright, downright, happy all the time.

I'm inright, outright, upright, downright, happy all the time.

Since Jesus Christ came in, and cleansed my heart from sin;

I'm inright, outright, upright, downright, happy all the time.

NEXT

 Since Jesus Christ came in, and cleansed my heart from sin;

I'm inright, outright, upright, downright, happy all the time.

Yea!

END

 Let's continue to worship in song. Hymn #2
 HE'S GOT THE WHOLE WORLD

 He's got the whol-e world in His hands, He's got the whol-e world in His hands, He's got the whol-e world in His hands, He's got the whol-e world in His hands,

2. He's got the wind and the rain in His hands, He's got the wind and the rain in His hands, He's got the wind and the rain in His hands, He's got the whole world in His hands, NEXT

3. He's got everybody here in His hands, He's got everybody here in His hands, He's got everybody here in His hands, He's got the whole world in His hands, NEXT

4. He's got the whol-e world in His hands, NEXT

5. He's got the whol-e world in His haa-nnds, In His haa-nnds. END

- If you have made confession with your mouth; Jesus is Lord, believe in your heart God raised Him from the dead, and have been obedient in baptism, you are invited to partake of the Lords Supper.
- Every one angry with his brother shall be in danger of the judgment. If you are at the altar, and remember thy brother hath aught against thee, leave the altar, and go be reconciled to thy brother, then come and offer thy gift.

Matthew 5: 22-24 ASV

Prayer for Breaking of Bread

Let voices unite in an Intimate Prayer of Petition.

- Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Luke 11: 2
- I come boldly unto the throne of grace, to find help in time of need. Hebrews 4: 16
- Asking all in Jesus name. John 14: 14
- Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. Psalm 51: 2
- I have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God. Romans 3: 23

- O God, blot out my transgression. Psalm 51: 1
- Conscious of mine iniquity; my sin is continually before me. Psalm 51: 3
- Against thee only have I sinned, and done evil. Psalm 51: 4
- Jesus took bread, blessed, and brake it. He said, Take, eat; this is my body. Matthew 26: 26
- My body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of Me. Luke 22: 19

- Jesus took a cup, gave thanks, saying, Drink ye all of it; for this is My blood of the covenant, poured out for remission of sins. Matthew 26: 27-28
- God so loved the world, that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have eternal life. John 3: 16
- I like sheep have gone astray; I have turned to my own way; and Jehovah has laid on Jesus my iniquity. Isaiah 53: 6

- Jesus has borne my griefs, carried my sorrows; was wounded for my transgressions, and bruised for my iniquities; the chastisement of my peace was upon Him; and with His stripes I am healed. Isaiah 53: 4-5
- Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as in heaven. Matthew 6: 10
- For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Matthew 6: 13 Amen.

Celebrate Breaking of Bread

Praise God singing the Doxology:

Praise, God, from whom all bless-ings flow, Praise Him, all crea-tures here be-low; Praise Him a-bove, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost! A-men.

• Text: Luke 22: 7-13 ASV

7 And the day of unleavened bread came, on which the passover must be sacrificed. 8 And he sent Peter and John, saying, Go and make ready for us the passover, that we may eat. 9 And they said unto him, Where wilt thou that we make ready? 10 And he said unto them, Behold, when ye are entered into the city, there shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water; follow him into the house whereinto he goeth. 11 And ye shall say unto the master of

the house, The Teacher saith unto thee, Where is the guestchamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples? 12 And he will show you a large upper room furnished: there make ready. 13 And they went, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover.

 Jesus, early in the day, told two of His disciples, Peter and John, to go into the city. Therefore, Jesus and His disciples were still outside of it. At a given place, they were told, they would

meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. He is the man they must ask about the place in which the Master can celebrate the Passover. They will find him perfectly willing to direct them to a house, where a guest chamber, suitable for this purpose, will be prepared for them. God in His Providence supplied a room whose atmosphere and convenience suited the sanctity of the purpose.

• Jesus sends out Peter and John to take an option on another man's property, and that

without anything resembling a formal transaction. The occasion reminds us of that other day on which Jesus sent out two disciples to take possession of a colt. On that day the King made use of the right of confiscation; on this He does so again. He boldly steps up to a man who is walking around somewhere with a pitcher on his shoulder, and arranges matters affecting the man's property quite as He pleases. God actively cooperated in the preparations for entry into Jerusalem, saw to it

that the colt was at the exact spot Jesus had indicated. A God of providence shapes events in a similar way now. It is God who induces the man, particularly predestined for the purpose before time began, to leave home with the pitcher at exactly that moment, and to cause him to return at a similarly appointed hour. God makes him stop for a few seconds at the specific corner where he is arrested by Peter and John. God spreads the cloth over the table at which the Son of man will lie to partake of the

Last Supper. One can never feel strongly the vital reality of the providence of God unless one observes it closely.

- When Jesus demanded the colt He made His appearance as King. He comes to partake of Passover as Mediator of the New Testament. The two complement each other.
- An old tradition tells the house in which the Passover was celebrated was the house of Mary, the mother of John Mark. A few reasons that make it likely:

- The man asked to reserve the room was of faithful friends. Mark appeared in the first Christian church and comes to the fore.
- If his mother did so at this time, it is not the first time she lent her house to disciples (Acts 12).
- Mark was an intimate friend of Peter, who was one of the two Jesus sent out.
- The man carrying the pitcher may have been Mark or a servant of the house who knew Jesus and understood the need.

 If the Mediator, the Head of His church, celebrated Passover in Mary's house it was preserved as holy and is reason why Mary did not sell her home after Pentecost, when others sold all their goods to benefit persecuted believers. It would have been a delight to a congregation to meet in the place where Jesus had eaten Passover for the last time and Lord's Supper the first time.

- If it is the house of Mary referenced 31 when they had prayed, the place was shaken wherein they were gathered together; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spake the word of God with boldness. Acts 4: 31 then the place where Christ ate the last Passover is pointed out by God Himself as remnant of the Old Covenant Passover and New Testament communion.
- Mary, mother of Mark was Aunt to Joses
 Barnabas, a Levite born in Cyprus. If Mark was

also a Levite, then a son of Levi, the ancient order of priests, set the table for the last Passover, which by the favor of God was celebrated under the law.

 If a Levite prepared the Passover table and fulfilled his priestly duty by service to Jesus, the tenth given to Levi would be given to Jesus. Samson put forth a riddle 14 Out of the eater came forth food, And out of the strong came forth sweetness. And they could not in three days declare the riddle. Judges 14: 14 ASV The eater

is Levi who exacts a tenth from the people. Levi himself gives his house and a tenth of the income, to the better Priest, who will forever dismiss him from his service by making the Levitical sacrifice more than needed. Is it not consoling to Jesus to know God and Levi are there with Him?

 Never remove a veil thrown around facts by the Holy Spirit, even if it is old tradition. A teacher must check for truth, less he present as actual

fact what he wish could be true. It has pleased the Holy Spirit to conceal the name and genealogy of the master and mistress of the house in which the Last Passover was kept.

 The important matter is this, Christ the bearer and fulfiller of the law celebrates Passover in accordance with demands of the law. Because He wants to institute the Lord's Supper, symbol of the New Testament, He follows the way of the Old Testament obediently to the very end. The birth room of the Lord's Supper must be

kept pure.

 We have heard it said the Lamb of Passover had to be perfect, unblemished, young, wholesome. Such is Jesus Christ as He goes to be slain. He satisfies the law perfectly, and pays its penalty. Our Passover of the New Testament is perfect; there is no sin in Him. He is undefiled, for He kept the law. He is young and strong. We must put our fingers in His blood, and sprinkle it, not over the doors of our houses, but over our hearts. Then we must present ourselves,

not to the Priest, for He has seen us already, but to the God of the Priest, to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

 Two lines meet in the room where Jesus is seated. The switch is thrown. Fleshly Israel will no longer go up to celebrate the Passover according to the old law. Instead, spiritual Israel will rise from the table presently and celebrate the Lord's Supper. On this occasion mysteries of the altar, be it in Levi's house or else where, are surely according to the order of Melchizdek. 11 Now if there was perfection through the

Levitical priesthood (for under it hath the people received the law), what further need was there that another priest should arise after the order of Melchizedek, and not be reckoned after the order of Aaron? 15 And what we say is yet more abundantly evident, if after the likeness of Melchizedek there ariseth another priest, 16 who hath been made, not after the law of a carnal commandment, but after the power of an endless life: 17 for it is witnessed of him, Thou art a priest for ever After the order of Melchizedek. Hebrews 7: 11 & 15-17 ASV

 Let's praise the Lord in song. Hymn #5
 DEM BONES ARE GONNA RISE AGAIN

- 1. The Lord He thought He'd make a man, Dem bones are gonna rise again.
- So He took a little water an He took a little sand,
 - Dem bones are gonna rise again.

CHORUS

2. Put him in that garden fair,Dem bones are gonna rise again.Saw him mighty lonely there,Dem bones are gonna rise again.NEXT

CHORUS

3. Took a rib from Adam's side, Dem bones are gonna rise again.Made Mrs. Eve to be his bride, Dem bones are gonna rise again.NEXT

CHORUS

4. Put them in that garden fair,Dem bones are gonna rise again.Saw them mighty happy there,

Dem bones are gonna rise again.

CHORUS

5. Apples, peaches, pears and such, Dem bones are gonna rise again.

But one fruit you must not touch, Dem bones are gonna rise again.

CHORUS

6. Around that tree old Satan slunk, Dem bones are gonna rise again.

At Mrs. Eve his eye he wunk, Dem bones are gonna rise again.

CHORUS

7. My that fruit looks mighty fine, Dem bones are gonna rise again.

Take a bite the Lord won't mind, Dem bones are gonna rise again.

CHORUS

8. So Eve took a fruit and then took a bite, Dem bones are gonna rise again.

> Then Adam gave that fruit a try, Dem bones are gonna rise again.

CHORUS

9. Now Adam and Eve they tried to hide, Dem bones are gonna rise again.

But the Lord looked down and them He spied, Dem bones are gonna rise again.

CHORUS

10. Now Adam you must leave this place, Dem bones are gonna rise again.

And earn your living by the sweat of your face, Dem bones are gonna rise again.

CHORUS

11. So Adam took a pic and then took a plow, Dem bones are gonna rise again.

And thats why we're all working now, Dem bones are gonna rise again.

CHORUS

Lord willing Wednesday, 12 April, at 6:30 p.m. we will observe Passover like Jesus did. Join us.

Eat before you come.