

Jesus Is the Bridge That Connects Us With God (Mark 14:12–26)

¹² 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?"¹³ 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. ¹⁴ 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?' ¹⁵ He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there."¹⁶ The disciples left, went into the city and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover.¹⁷ When evening came, Jesus arrived with the Twelve. ¹⁸ 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."¹⁹ They were saddened, and one by one they said to him, "Surely you don't mean me?"²⁰ "It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who dips bread into the bowl with me. ²¹ 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."²² 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."²³ Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and they all drank from it.²⁴ "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many," he said to them. ²⁵ "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."²⁶ When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

I. Jesus is the Bridge who knows and has authority over all things (14:12-21)

II. Jesus Is Bridge, the true Passover Lamb (14:22-24)

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III. Jesus the only Bridge, is symbolized in Communion (14:22-24)

IV. The body and blood of Christ is the Bridge which establishes the New Covenant (14:22-24)

V. Christ, the true Bridge, promises the kingdom (14:25-26)

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⁶ Then they gathered around him and asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?”⁷ He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.