

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON
 —for—
March 18, 1956
THE MEANING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

MEMORY SELECTION: "This do in remembrance of me." — 1 Corinthians 11: 24
LESSON TEXT: Luke 22: 7-23.
 We are fast approaching the last tragic events in the life of Jesus. Fully aware of his imminent death, Jesus continually brings to the minds of his disciples the fact that he is soon to die. This was the greatest single event in his entire life on earth — the climax as it were — for he came to die.

He lived a holy, blameless life in order that he might present himself a sacrifice, a lamb without blemish, to God, that, by His death, redemption would be possible for all everywhere who would believe on him.

Up to this time, Jesus had avoided decisive conflict with his enemies, although he had always met them in open discussion, and upon all occasions, had prevailed. Now he well knew that they were plotting his death, yet he willingly allowed them to seize him for execution.

The Sanhedrin and its members were overwhelmingly opposed to this popular "prophet." These men realized that their religious leadership of the people was finished unless they could prevent the increasing religious ascendancy of this new teacher. Their efforts to entangle him in his teachings or to embroil him with the Roman authorities had miserably failed. He was too popular with the masses of the people to be openly arrested, therefore, it was necessary for them to scheme and plot.

While these religious conspirators waited for the crowds who were attending the Passover festival to leave Jerusalem and go back home, Jesus enjoyed the company of his friends in Bethany, near Jerusalem, probably spending several nights in the home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus. From Bethany, Jesus and his disciples would walk to Jerusalem for the day and return at night.

However, on Thursday night of the last week, Jesus did not return to Bethany, but gathered his disciples around him in an upper room of a house in Jerusalem, thought to have been the home of Mary, the mother of John Mark, for the purpose of celebrating with them the Passover.

The Passover was the largest of the Jewish festivals commemorating the great deliverance from the tenth plague, which had been successful in bringing the Jews out of Egypt. While the religious leaders were desirous of killing Jesus, they feared the wrath of the multitude which had gathered in Jerusalem for this event. These leaders may have convinced themselves that, in killing Jesus they were performing a religious service, but their thinking was warped by the very selfish determination to preserve their own privileges.

"The Paschal Feast was a family feast, at which the head of the family presided," Dr. G. Campbell Morgan wrote. "Here, then, was something strange, something different: a group of men all away from their homes. They were guests in the house of another man, and that man was not presiding; he had lent the room. Yet, this was a family gathering, but it was a new family! Jesus was the Head. He took charge. He presided, as the father of the household always presided at the Paschal Feast. Here was a new kinship. Away back in his ministry he had said one day, 'Who is my mother, who are my brethren, and my sisters? They that do the will of my God.' Here they were, that little group with him, the new family."

Jesus arranged to make his last evening with his disciples an occasion which they would always remember, and instituted a model commemorative service. Upon these few men would rest the weight of his kingdom, and the ultimate success of the mission of Jesus would be determined by the faith and power of these intimate followers in the days to come. With the responsibility to be assumed Jesus made his last supper with them a source of unending spiritual inspiration, not only to them, but to all persons who have, through the succeeding centuries, adopted his teachings and professed to follow him. They gathered in the Upper Room of a Jerusalem home, which was to become the scene of many historic events in the early church. A memorial ceremony was very solemnly observed. As he passed

JANITOR'S GUN USEFUL
 Des Moines, Iowa — Elmer Barker, janitor at the State House, has a shotgun which saves the State at least \$1,920 each year. Barker uses the shotgun to get rid of pigeons which roost on the building. The State recently received a bid from a Des Moines man to scare the birds off permanently for \$1,920 a year.

the bread to them, he made it the symbol of his own body which was soon to be broken on the cross. As they drank from the cup, then and always afterwards the drink became symbolical of his blood which was shed for their own shortcomings. While a large body of believers accept the theory that these symbols became real, the fact that Jesus used them in a representative way is apart from the fact that he was alive when the first supper was observed. So, today, in many lands and to countless thousands, the commemoration is a memorial of the love and suffering of Jesus Christ. "This do in remembrance of me," asks our Lord. May we not fail to remember and appreciate the great sacrifice made in our behalf!

Bee W. Massey, 37, Passes On Sunday; Rites Wednesday

Funeral services for Bee W. Massey, 37, of Big Pine, who died early Sunday, March 11, 1956, in an Asheville hospital, were held at the North Fork Baptist Church at 2 p. m. on Wednesday.

The Rev. E. E. Sprinkle and the Rev. J. B. Braggan officiated and burial was in the church cemetery. Pallbearers were William Shelton, Kenneth Buckner, Homer Payne, Ruble Caldwell, Arlon Massey and Earl Massey.

Surviving are mother, Mrs. Cora Baker Massey; four brothers, Emanuel of Walnut RFD 1, Clifford and Conrad of River Rouge, Mich., and Warren of Meigsdale, Mich.; and five sisters Mrs. J. W. Shelton, Mrs. Kenneth Buckner and Mrs. Ruble Caldwell, all of Walnut RFD 1, Mrs. Homer Payne of River Rouge, Mich., and Mrs. Gladys Massey of Asheville. Bowman-Rector Funeral Home was in charge.

Mrs. Mary Riddle, 77, Passes On Sunday; Rites Tuesday

Mrs. Mary Riddle, 77, of Beech Glen, died about 10:30 p. m., Sunday, March 11, 1956 in an Asheville hospital following a short illness. She was the wife of the late Jack Riddle of Madison County.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2 p. m., in Little Ivy Baptist Church.

The Rev. Frank Blalock, the Rev. John Huntley and the Rev. Joe Sprinkle officiated and burial was in the church cemetery. Pallbearers were Ambrose Wilson, Grover Tomberlin, Claude Deaver, Homer Radford, Loy Riddle and Jake Waldrup. Nieces were flower bearers.

Surviving are seven daughters: Mrs. Ada Riddle of the home, Mrs. George, Mrs. Hill; Mrs. W. Dale Waldrup, Mrs. Hill; Mrs. Grace Anglin, Higgins; Mrs. Vera Davis, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. M. M. Shook, Charlotte and Mrs. Vina Edwards; four sons, Clay and Jason

Accident Fatal To Donald Price, 21; Funeral Today

Donald Price, 21, of Detroit, Michigan, formerly of Spring Creek, was fatally injured in an automobile accident in Detroit on Friday, March 9. He died in a Detroit hospital on Sunday, March 11, 1956.

Funeral services were held this (Thursday) morning at ten o'clock at the North Fork Baptist Church on Big Pine. The Rev. Weidan Ball officiated and burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Wilma Lee Price; one daughter, Cynthia Sue; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Price, of Marion, N. C.; four sisters, Mrs. Robert Warren of Canton; Mrs. Edward Lindsey, Miss Grace and Miss Linda Lee Price, of the home; and one brother, of Michigan; John B. of Alexander and Sanders of Mars Hill; 31 grandchildren and a number of great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

The Lost Car

Mrs. Norah Mulyaney, on this fine St. Patrick's Day, met her friend, Mrs. Bridget Carr, who carried her twelfth child in her arms. "Arrah, now, Bridget," she said, "and there ye are with another little Carr in your arms." "Another it is, Mrs. Mulyaney," replied her friend, "and it's me that's hopin' 'tiss the caboose."

KINDNESS PAYS OFF

Philadelphia, Pa. — A mid-city policeman, William T. Millery, and two retired bellhops, Anthony D'Elia and William B. Dexter of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, who were kind to Mrs. Anna M. Haerer, who died some time ago, may share equally in her \$1,000,000 estate if Mrs. Haerer's last will and testament proves valid. Mrs. Haerer, a widow, spent her last years at the hotel.

Steve Price, also of the home, Bowman-Rector Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



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