



Maundy Thursday

MATTHEW 26:26–46; JOHN 13–17

Jesus was extremely busy the night before his crucifixion. Can you name the significant events that took place that night?

Read Matthew 26:26–29

How does the Last Supper (Lord's Supper) relate to both the Passover and Jesus' upcoming crucifixion?

Read John 13:1–5

How does the foot washing demonstrate Jesus' humility? What accompanying circumstances make this display of humility even more amazing? Is there anything mentioned in John 13:1–3 that could motivate us to be humble?

John 14–17

How was Jesus' message (the Upper Room Discourse) to the disciples (1) comforting/encouraging, (2) difficult, and (3) challenging? Which of these aspects spoke to you the most? Share specific verses if possible.

Read Matthew 26:36–46

Why did Jesus feel such a great need to pray? If Jesus came to give his life as a ransom for others, why was the prospect of dying on the cross so difficult? (What does the "cup" represent?) Like Jesus, when facing challenging circumstances, do you seek God's will through prayer?

Take some time to thank God for the sacrificial, humble, loving, and obedient Savior that we have.