

The Amazing Life of Jesus Christ

Leader's Guide for 2-Hour Class

Lesson #21: Jesus, Son of Man

Welcome Prayer & Class Review of previous week: The Way, Truth and Life (15 minutes)

<u>Passover Meal</u> ("The Lord's Supper")

It is now the night before Jesus is to die.

Jesus asked Peter and John to find a place for them to eat the Passover meal. All the while, Judas is negotiating a price for betrayal.

In this last meal, Jesus washes the feet of his disciples. This was unheard of at that time, as this was a task associated with servants. Jesus is serving to the very end, and gives us a lasting example.

Jesus tells his disciples at this last meal that one of them will betray him, and that Peter will deny Him 3 times.

- Jesus never mentions that Judas is the betrayer. He is giving him a warning, and one last chance to stop. But Jesus does not stop him.
- Jesus tells Peter "I have prayed for you". Jesus prays for us, even before we need it!

Jesus promises the disciples two things by saying: "I am going away to...

- 1. prepare a place for you (Heaven is a real place)
- 2. so that a Helper (of the same kind) can come. (We are never alone)

The disciples ask How? Jesus replies:

"I am the Way, and the Truth, and the Life; no one comes to the Father but through Me." John 14:6

On the way to the Garden of Gethsemane ("Where Jesus prayed before His arrest")

Jesus is still teaching His disciples. His last "I am" statement is "I am the true vine".

The vine (Jesus) and fruit (Believers) combination is an example of our relationship with Jesus and also with our Heavenly Father, who is the caretaker of the vineyard.

Jesus tells them there will be weeping but the world will also rejoice and have joy.

Jesus prays in front of the disciples for three things:

- 1. To glorify God and for the Holy Spirit to come
- 2. For the disciples and their future ministry
- 3. For the **Church to come (us)**

Homework Discussion - In small groups (30 minutes)

Jesus, The Way, the Truth and the Life

| Study 1: Lord's Supper | Pg 145: #4, 5, 10 |
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| Study 2: Jesus Comforts His Disciples | Pg 149: #1, 3, 4 |
| Study 3: True Vine | Pg 152: #3, 4, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13 |
| Study 4: Holy Spirit Promised | Pg 155: #1, 2, 6 |
| Study 5: High Priestly Prayer | Pg 158: #2, 4, 6, 12 |

Lesson Intro for video: Son of Man (5 minutes)

- Jesus calls Himself "Son of Man". It is mentioned 80 times.
 This title emphasizes Jesus' humanity in his suffering.
 Jesus is a "man of sorrows" and "full of joy".
- Now we will see the beginning of the different trials Jesus goes through. There are a total of five trials, from the arrest in the Garden of Gethsemane to Pilot: three illegal trials, and two unofficial trials with Pilot and Herod Antipas.

Video Lesson (45 minutes)

Discussion & Table Prayer Requests (20 minutes)

- Were Jesus' trials fair? What do you think about Jesus' response to them?
- Share prayer requests with your group.

Ending Prayer (5 minutes)