

- **Week 1:** A God Who **Serves** (Who bends the knee to whom?)
- **Week 2:** A God Who **Saves** (New Covenant & Communion)
- **Good Friday (Tenebrae):** A God Who **Sacrifices** (The Cross)
- **Easter Sunday:** A God Who **Surprises** (Raised to New Life)

### PASSOVER MEAL: SEDER DINNER

- **Maror** (bitter herbs): bitterness of slavery
- **Charoset** (nuts, apples, cinnamon, wine): mortar and brick used to make bricks for Egypt
- **Karpas** (green leafy vegetables dipped in salt water): tears and pain of slavery
- **Zeroah** (lamb shank bone): sacrificial lamb
- **Beitzah** (roasted egg): mourning
- \_\_\_\_\_ (unleavened bread): pierced and striped

Isaiah 53:4-5 <sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup>But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

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### THE ECHAD (COMPLEX UNIT OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

**1st matzoh:** Never touched, used, or seen

**2nd matzoh:** Broken in half - 1/2 back into the echad, 1/2 wrapped in a linen cloth (afikomen)

**3rd matzoh:** Used to eat the Seder meal

### CUPS OF PASSOVER WINE (EXODUS 6:6-8)

**1st cup** (sanctification): "I will bring you out..."

**2nd cup** (deliverance): "I will save you..."

**3rd cup (redemption):** "I will redeem you..."

**4th cup** (blessing): "I will take you..."

**5th cup:** or wrath, or for Elijah

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### THE LAST SUPPER: COMMUNION\*

**Matthew 26:26-29** <sup>26</sup>Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." <sup>27</sup>And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, <sup>28</sup>for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>29</sup>I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom." [See also **1 Corinthians 11:23-32**]

\**koinōnia* (koy-nohn-ee'-ah); partnership, participation, communion, fellowship<sup>1</sup>

## HUNGRY AND THIRSTY (PSALM 34:8)

John 6:35 Jesus said to them, "I AM the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not **hunger**, and whoever believes in me shall never **thirst**. [See also **John 6:53-58**]

**Matthew 5:6** Blessed are those who **hunger** and **thirst** for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

## COMMUNION WITH GOD

To \_\_\_\_\_ communion means to be \_\_\_\_\_ communion with God.

What does it mean to be \_\_\_\_\_ *communion with God*? Are you \_\_\_\_\_ *communion with God*?

To be \_\_\_\_\_ *communion with God* means...

You \_\_\_\_\_ Him freely, not fearfully.

- **Hebrews 4:16** Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

You have complete \_\_\_\_\_ to Him.

- **Mark 15:37-38** <sup>37</sup>And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last. <sup>38</sup>And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. [See also **Hebrews 10:19-22**]

You're \_\_\_\_\_ with Him—not pretentious.

- **1 John 1:6-7** <sup>6</sup>If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. <sup>7</sup>But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

You're \_\_\_\_\_ to Him—not resistant.

- **Ephesians 5:18** ...be [continually being] filled with the Spirit [See also **John 15:1-9** and **Psalms 1:1-3**]

You know your \_\_\_\_\_ in view of His.

- **John 20:28** Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!"

Your \_\_\_\_\_ have changed (and/or are changing).

- **Psalms 34:8** Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! [See also **Hebrews 6:4-6**]

You trust in His \_\_\_\_\_, not yours.

- **Hebrews 10:14** For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

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## PERSONAL APPLICATION, FAMILY DISCUSSION, AND LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

- Are you \_\_\_\_\_ communion with God? Are you regularly *walking* \_\_\_\_\_ communion with God? (**Galatians 5:16**)
- Where do you tend to get tripped/hung up in your communion with your God? (**Hebrews 12:1-4**)
- God is a jealous God, in a good way (see **Exodus 20:5**), wanting you completely and freely. What is He calling you to in your personal communion with Him?
- Are you helping others walk \_\_\_\_\_ communion with God? (aka \_\_\_\_\_, see **Matthew 28:18-20**)
- Who are you helping walk \_\_\_\_\_ communion with God, and how is it going? What are your next steps?

<sup>4</sup>Definition of Greek *koinonia* can be found in the Strong's Concordance at BibleHub.com