

# Understanding the Lord's Supper

## A. The first Lord's Supper

### 1. An explanation of his death

Like the feet-washing, Jesus' actions were an \_\_\_\_\_ parable.

#### a) Passover

In Egypt 1300 hundred years earlier, the Passover \_\_\_\_\_ died instead of the Israelite firstborn sons. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ the Passover festival.

#### b) New covenant

Covenants were usually 'sealed' by the \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_. God promised a new covenant (Jer. 31:31-34) but it had not yet been sealed.

#### c) Personal application

Jesus called his followers to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ his \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. His death required a \_\_\_\_\_ (Jn. 6:53-54)

### 2. An anticipation of paradise

Jesus is filling his disciples with \_\_\_\_\_ to sustain them through the hard times ahead.

### 3. The institution of a memorial meal

Jesus intended to set a pattern that was to be \_\_\_\_\_.

## B. The Lord's Supper today

(See especially 1 Cor. 10:14-22 & 11:17-34)

### 1. Remembrance

The Lord's Supper is meant to \_\_\_\_\_ the church to the event which lead to its creation: the \_\_\_\_\_.

### 2. Communion

The bread and wine remain bread and wine! However, as we receive the bread and wine we may have 'communion' or

\_\_\_\_\_ with Christ. This happens as we remember that Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ for us and as we respond to him in \_\_\_\_\_.

This gives us \_\_\_\_\_ nourishment and roots us afresh in the heart of the Gospel.

### 3. Fellowship

We each receive from the same \_\_\_\_\_ because all believers belong to the same \_\_\_\_\_. In 1 Cor. 10:16 Paul uses the word for fellowship (*koinonia*). It is also translated 'participating in'. Christians should experience and be encouraged by their \_\_\_\_\_ when they meet together.

### 4. Hope

The Lord's Supper points us to \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Cor. 11:26).

(See also: *True Worship* by Vaughan Roberts. 2002)