

## The Last Supper



Parents, below are a few activities you can try at home together to help reinforce and continue teaching on this week's Bible story.

Overview:

**Big Idea:** Jesus gave His body and blood for our sins, so we can remember Him through communion.

**Bible Basis:** Matthew 26:17- 30; Luke 22:7-30

**Key Verse:** 1 Corinthians 11:26

Grade 1-2 Activity: *Pass It Around*

**Supplies:** Bread roll, plastic cup, blindfold

**Directions:** Have your family sit in a circle. Choose one person to sit in the middle of the circle and place a blindfold on them (or ask them to keep their eyes closed). When ready, begin quickly passing the roll and the cup separately around the circle while everyone sings "Jesus Loves Me, This I Know" once. When the song is over, everyone must place their hands behind their backs. Tell the person in the middle to remove the blindfold (or open their eyes) and have them guess who is holding the roll and who is holding the cup. Celebrate as a family if the person guesses either of them correctly. Continue playing additional rounds while giving other family members a turn in the middle.

**Say:** In today's Bible story, Jesus passed the bread and the cup to His disciples. The bread and cup helped the disciples remember how Jesus died for them so they could be forgiven for the wrong things they did. But did Jesus stay dead? No way! Jesus died but now He is alive!

**Question:** Jesus wants us to remember Him. What are some things you remember about Jesus?

Grade 3-4 Activity: *Old Becomes New*

**Supplies:** New shiny penny, old dirty penny, white vinegar (1/2 cup), salt (2 teaspoons), non-metal bowl

**Directions:** Pour the vinegar and salt into the bowl. Depending on the size of your bowl, you may want to multiply the recipe. Stir the mixture until the salt is partially dissolved. Have some paper towels nearby. Show your family both of the pennies. Tell your family that the pennies remind us of what sin does to our lives. The new penny is how God created us – perfect and without any blemishes. The old penny is what sin does to us – it covers us in darkness. Give the dirty penny to one of your children and have them put it in the vinegar/salt mixture and then slowly count down from ten to one before taking it out. Finally, rinse and rub the penny under water.

**Say:** This is kind of like what Jesus did for us. We used to be dirty with sin, but then Jesus sacrificed His body and shed His blood. Now, anyone who follows Him will have their sins washed clean.

**Question:** What can we do as a family to remember Jesus between now and Easter?