The Last Supper Luke 22 & John 13

A need for security led to a measure of secrecy.

Luke 22:1-6 (NIV84) "Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread, called the Passover, was approaching, ² and the chief priests and the teachers of the law were looking for some way to get rid of Jesus, for they were afraid of the people. ³ Then Satan entered Judas, called Iscariot, one of the Twelve. ⁴ And Judas went to the chief priests and the officers of the temple guard and discussed with them how he might betray Jesus. ⁵ They were delighted and agreed to give him money. ⁶ He consented, and watched for an opportunity to hand Jesus over to them when no crowd was present."

Luke 22:7-13 (NIV84) "Then came the day of Unleavened Bread on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. ⁸ Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and make preparations for us to eat the Passover." ⁹ "Where do you want us to prepare for it?" they asked. ¹⁰ He replied, "As you enter the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him to the house that he enters, ¹¹ and say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks: Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' ¹² He will show you a large upper room, all furnished. Make preparations there." ¹³ They left and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover."

A need for <u>understanding</u> led to an <u>example of humility</u>.

John 13:1–3 (NIV84) "It was just before the Passover Feast. Jesus knew that the time had come for Him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved His own who were in the world, He now showed them the full extent of His love. ² The evening meal was being served, and the devil had already prompted Judas Iscariot, son of Simon, to betray Jesus. ³ Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under His power, and that He had come from God and was returning to God..."

John 13:4-15 (NIV84) "...He got up from the meal, took off His outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around His waist. ⁵ After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash His disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around Him. ⁶ He came to Simon Peter, who said to Him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷ Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸ "No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me." ⁹ "Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!" ¹⁰ Jesus answered, "A person who has had a bath needs only to wash his feet; his whole body is clean. And you are clean,

though not every one of you." ¹¹ For He knew who was going to betray Him, and that was why He said not every one was clean. ¹² When He had finished washing their feet, He put on His clothes and returned to His place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" He asked them. ¹³ "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I AM. ¹⁴ Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you."

A need for connection led to a time of revelation.

Luke 22:14-16 (NIV84) "When the hour came, Jesus and His apostles reclined at the table. ¹⁵ And He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. ¹⁶ For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfillment in the kingdom of God."

Luke 22:17-20 (NIV84) "After taking the cup, He gave thanks and said, "Take this and divide it among you. ¹⁸ For I tell you I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." ¹⁹ And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me." ²⁰ In the same way, after the supper He took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you."

John 1:29 (NIV84) ... "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

1 Corinthians 11:23–26 (NIV84) "For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵ In the same way, after supper He took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶ For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes."

Digging Deeper: Have you ever thought about how much Jesus enjoys spending time with you? He wants to reveal things to you that those who don't take the time to be with Him will miss. When was the last time you dedicated time to connect with Him? What have you learned about friendship from Christ's example? When was the last time you stepped away from the crowd to spend time with your friends? What did you learn today?