## THE CHURCH IN NEW YORK CITY CHILDREN'S MEETING LESSON (Pre-K&K)

## Lesson #78

Date:

**SUBJECT:** The Lord's last supper with His friends

**SCRIPTURE:** Matthew 26:17-29; Mark 14:12-25; Luke 22:7-20; Exodus 12

<u>AIM</u>: To show the children that the Lord loves us and died for us and that He wants us to remember Him by eating at the Lord's Supper.

## **MEMORY VERSE:**

Matthew 26:28 "...this is My blood...which is to be shed on behalf of many for forgiveness of sins."

**CONTENT:** A long time ago the Jews were about to celebrate a very special day. It was the day of Passover. The Jews would come together to eat special food and to remember that special day when the angel of death passed over the children of Israel who were slaves in the Land of Egypt. The Bible commanded them to remember this day every year so that they would never forget how the Lord freed them from the bad Pharaoh.

One day, the Lord Jesus's friends came to Him and asked Him where they should cerebrate the Passover. The Lord Jesus then sent two of His friends and said to them, Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him; And wherever the man enter a house, they were to ask the owner, "The Master says, Where is the guest room where I may eat the Passover with My disciples? This man showed them a large, upper room. It had to be a large room so that the Lord Jesus and His 12 friends could celebrate this special day. You see, the Lord loved His friends so much. He knew that he would soon leave them and He wanted to eat with them one more time.

When the evening had come, the Lord and His friends sat down at a big table to eat the Passover. Jesus told them that one of those sitting at the table would turn Him over to the bad people who would kill Him. Sorrowfully, one after another, the disciples asked the Lord, "I am not the one, am I, Lord?" Jesus knew that the one who would betray Him was named "Judas"

And as they were eating, Jesus took the bread and when He had given thanks to God, He broke it and said, This is My body which is broken for you; do the same and remember Me. He meant that His body was soon to be broken and crucified on the cross as a sacrifice to God for them. Then the Lord took the cup of wine, and when He gave thanks to God, He gave it to His disciples to drink. He said, This wine is My blood given to God so He will forgive your sins. For soon the blood of the Lord Jesus would be shed so that their sins would be forgiven.

Just as the Jews remembered what the Lord had done so many years ago by eating the Passover meal, so we too were to remember the Lord's death for us on the cross by eating the Lord's Supper every week. While you were in the big meeting singing so nicely the song of the Lord, many Mommies and Daddies, Aunts and Uncles were remembering the Lord's love for us by eating the broken bread and drinking the cup of wine.

When you get older, you too will celebrate or remember the Lord's death for you on the cross by eating the broken bread and drinking the cup of wine. You don't have to wait for that day to remember how much the Lord loves you. Today you can remember Him by praying to Him and thanking Him for coming to earth to suffer and die for you. Today our Lord Jesus is your wonderful Savior. Remember Him every day.