

The Fourfold Gospel

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The Lord's Supper Instituted, Farewell Discourse to Disciples, The Lord's Prayer, Going to Gethsemane and Agony therein, Jesus betrayed, arrested and forsaken

The Lord's Supper Instituted

- Matthew 26:26-29, Mark 14:22-25, Luke 22: 19-20, 1 Cor 11:23-26
 - What was Jesus' commandment instituted here as concerns the Lord's supper?
 - "Take, eat" (this unleavened bread - only unleavened bread would have been used during the Passover memorial as commanded in the law of Moses) " this is my body, which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me"
 - "Drink from it, (the cup) all of you; for this is My blood of the covenant, which is being poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."
 - What did Jesus say his blood would be "poured out" for?
 - The forgiveness of sins
 - Jesus died and shed His blood for the sins of "many" – Hebrews 2:9 tells us it was for "everyone" and 2 Cor 5:14-16 tells us it was "for all"
 - Jesus commands these things to be done why?
 - "In remembrance of me"
 - Jesus knows we are forgetful beings, and we NEED constant reminding of the most important things, His sacrifice the most important thing for all mankind

Jesus' Farewell discourse with His disciples

- John 14-John 16
 - Night before the crucifixion
 - Where did Jesus tell His disciples He was going?
 - To prepare a place for us 14:3
 - Jesus promises that those who believe on Him shall do His works, and even greater works than He did, because He is going to the Father. (14:12)
What is meant by this?
 - Jesus had a small following, and converted a few to His cause. Those who followed Him in His name, some would be much more successful in bringing souls to Christ. (Think Paul)
 - Who else would Jesus send to be with, and later in, His disciples?
 - The Holy Spirit – the Comforter
 - The Holy Spirit was WITH them while Jesus was with them because He was in Jesus, but soon He would be IN them as well.

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 - Who was coming to interrupt Jesus' teaching? (14:30)
 - The prince of the air – Satan
 - Satan would find no right or reason to exercise power over Christ – Christ's sorrows and sufferings were taken up by Him of His own free will – FOR US!
 - Jesus would show the Father's love for the world by following His commandments, suffering and dying -- FOR US!
 - Who "prunes" the kingdom? (15:2)
 - God the Father
 - We may plant the seed of the Word by speaking about the gospel with others but He gives the growth, and HE prunes the unproductive branches.
 - How are we cleansed? (15:3)
 - By following the commandments we have been given by God through the word.

Jesus' farewell discourse with His disciples

- John 14 – John 16
 - Night before the crucifixion
 - How do we abide in God's love? (15:10)
 - By keeping the commandments we have been given in the new covenant
 - Love is the cause of fruitfulness. It is the “sap” that flows from the vine to the branches and back. That love flows freely by keeping the commandments, as Jesus did of His father.
 - What did Jesus warn His disciples about concerning the world? (15:18-21)
 - If the world hated you, you know it hated me before it hated you.
 - The disciples are commanded to love one another, even in the face a of a world full of hatred towards God.
 - We know we are not of the world because it hates us. If we are of the world it would love us
 - If we show the love of Jesus the spirit of the world will persecute us as it did Him

Jesus' farewell discourse with His disciples

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 - What did Jesus do to earn the hatred of the world? (15:22-25)
 - He spoke the word of God revealing the sins of men
 - He revealed sin by His works which no other man had done
 - Jesus warned of persecution to prevent what? (16:1)
 - That they would not stumble.
 - Jesus experienced the persecution and wanted to prepare his disciples in order to build up their faith
 - What apostle tells us his personal experience described in 16:2?
 - Paul – Acts 26:9-11, Gal 1:13-14
 - Who would be responsible for convicting the world of sin, righteousness and judgement? (16:8)
 - The Holy Spirit. He would use the apostles as mouthpieces and convince the world of the truths of Jesus and the kingdom of God

Jesus' farewell discourse with His disciples

- John 14 – John 16
 - Night before the crucifixion
 - Why did Jesus refrain from telling His disciples everything to come? (16:12)
 - The doctrine of the gospel was obscured still because all things had not yet been completed. Jesus told His disciples they would recall these things after the completion of the gospel. But now it would just be incomprehensible for the apostles.
 - The Holy Spirit would guide them in ALL TRUTH. They would speak what they were told by the Holy Spirit and He would glorify Jesus. He would not bring about any new ideas, but merely bring to mind ALL THE THINGS Jesus had taught them.
 - The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are all one. They teach the same, think the same and work to the same end, the glorification of God and the salvation of all men who believe.
 - What does Jesus compare the sorrow of His death to? (16:21)
 - The pain and sorrow of labor.
 - But the joy of the newborn soon eclipses that, just as the joy of Jesus resurrection would eclipse the sorrow of His crucifixion.

Jesus' farewell discourse with His disciples

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 - The disciples finally understood what Jesus was saying. He had read their minds and had given them the answer to their questions. They professed their belief of Him as the Son of God. What did Jesus tell them would be their next action in mere hours concerning Him? (16:32)
 - They would abandon Him in fear
 - He would not be alone. The Father would be with Him every step of the way, up until He took upon Himself the sin of the world, at which point, the Father could not be with Him because God cannot be in the presence of sin and Jesus expressed the most pain in His life at that point -

The Lord's Prayer

- John 17
 - Jesus prayer starts with a request of the Lord. What is it?
 - Glorify Jesus with the glory He had with the Father before the foundation of the world.
 - Jesus next prays for His disciples. What does He pray for?
 - That the Father would be in them as He was in Him, and that they would be unified in the Lord
 - While Jesus was on the earth, He guarded them and took the brunt of the persecution upon Himself. But now that would fall on them. He prays for their protection from Satan and His minions.
 - He prays that they will be set apart in the truth. Jesus was set apart in the truth, He prays that the apostles will likewise be set apart.
 - He also prays for all believers who hear the word that they will be unified in the Lord
 - He finally prays that all believers will “be with Me where I am” – that all believers may enter the heavenly state to behold His glory as the Son of God.

Going to Gethsemane

- Matthew 26:30,36-46, Mark 14:26, 32-42, Luke 22:39-46, John 18:1
 - What command did Jesus give His disciples as He went to pray in the garden?
 - Pray that you do not enter into temptation
 - Who did Jesus take with Him into the garden while He prayed?
 - Peter, James and John
 - He then walked a little further from those disciples to pray
 - What did Jesus pray for?
 - All things are possible to God, please let this cup pass from Me, but not My will but Yours be done
 - Who comforted Jesus?
 - An Angel
 - How did He find His disciples? How Many times?
 - Sleeping
 - Three times

Jesus betrayed, arrested and forsaken

- Matthew 26:47-56, Mark 14:43-52, Luke 22:47-53, John 18:2-11
 - Who betrayed Jesus?
 - Judas Ischariot
 - When Jesus asked who the soldiers were looking for and He identified Himself as the one what happened?
 - The soldiers fell backwards
 - What did Jesus request of the soldiers?
 - Let His disciples go free
 - How did Judas greet Jesus?
 - With a kiss
 - What did Peter do?
 - Tried to defend Jesus and cut off Malchus' ear
 - What did Jesus do?
 - Healed Malchus and put His ear back on