



These questions are designed to extend the impact of the weekend message. Use them to go deeper in your personal study time, with your family and/or with a group.

IN JESUS' DAY, THE TABLE WAS MORE THAN A PLACE TO NOURISH THE BODY. IT WAS A PLACE TO NURTURE RELATIONSHIPS AND NOURISH THE SOUL. THROUGHOUT THE GOSPEL OF LUKE, WE SEE JESUS EATING WITH ALL KINDS OF PEOPLE, USING THOSE MOMENTS TO CONNECT WITH THE UP AND COMERS AND THE DOWN AND OUT, THE OUTCASTS AND THE IN-CROWD. ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE AT THE TABLE WITH JESUS - EVEN A TRANSFORMED LIFE.

1 Do you or your family keep any traditions at certain meals? Whether it's a dish your aunt always brings to Thanksgiving or a special plate someone eats off on their birthday, what happens regularly at special meals that you've done for a long time?

2 Read Luke 22:14-15. Jesus gathers with his closest friends during a time called Passover. What was the significance of Passover for the people of Israel? (*Extra credit: if anyone in your group has been to a seder meal, let them share some of what they remember from that experience.*)

3 Read Luke 22:19-20. Jesus takes bread and wine and calls them his body and blood. What do these words mean to you? How would you explain them to someone who is new to faith?

4 Read Luke 22:7 and 1 Peter 1:18-20. Luke makes a connection between the Passover lamb and Jesus, which the early church leaders continued to teach. Why did they think this was important to tell people?

5 The message of the Lord's Supper is: **Jesus protects and provides.** In what ways has God protected you? In what ways has God provided for you?

6 Read 1 Corinthians 11:23-26. What does it mean to proclaim the Lord's death? How do our lives and words also further the message of the Lord's Supper?

