"A MOST ENRICHING DAY"

Text: Mark 14: 22-26 "While they were eating, Jesus took the bread, gave thanks and gave it to them saying: 'Take eat; this is my body.' Then He took the cup, gave thanks, and offered it to them, and they all drank of it. 'This is my blood of the Covenant, which is poured out for many."

INTRODUCTION – This "most enriching day" was really an evening. It happened in an upper room which Jesus had reserved for this event. The Lord's Supper, the Lesson in Humility (washing of the feet), the Priestly Prayer, the New Commandment, the warning against trust in self rather than God's Word (Peter's attitude), are all gifts directly related to that event in the upper room. We refer to it "on the night in which he was betrayed." The gifts of Christ stemming from that day truly are sufficient for a lifetime. Soon after the Instituting the New Covenant – the Lord's Supper they sang a Hymn and left.

- 1 A Unique "Seder Supper".
- 2 A Hymn Closes One Event, Starts Another.
- 3 Terms of Agreement: Forgiveness Must Be Earned.
- 4 The Son, Even Though God, Does Not Get A Pass.
- 5 The Problem Started In A Garden Long Ago.
- 6 Solution Starts in Another Garden.
- 7 The Time For The New Covenant Had Come.

CONCLUSION – To say "Thy will be done" and to accept God's will are two very different things. Jesus said it and he accepted it. This is the Servant of the Lord whose gifts are endless and whose blessing are bestowed daily. Today we thank Him for that Thursday evening, and for all days that followed, each loaded with His gifts. The blessings resulting from that day endure forever. Amen.