COMMUNION AND THE BOOK OF LIFE

Matthew 26.14-35

THE PLAN OF GOD

Matthew 26.14-35 // John 13.21-30

The chief priests wanted to arrest Jesus, but not during the festival, and probably even asked Judas to wait. But now, Jesus has exposed Judas' plan, and more importantly, his heart, and so seeing their opportunity closing, Judas goes to bring the plan into effect sooner.

However, this was not Judas' plan, this was the plan of God. The plan was always to have Jesus be sacrificed as the Passover Lamb of God, so waiting for the feast to be over was not an option. Jesus instigates Judas' haste in order to cause His timing to be perfected. And His timing was planned from before the foundation of the world.

John 13.18, 19 // Matthew 25.34 // Acts 2.22-24

PREDESTINED, PURCHASED, AND PRAISING

Eternity-Past: In **Revelation 13.8**, we see that there is a book called the "Book of Life of the Lamb Who was Slain." This book had names in it before the foundation of the world, and therefore we see that the Lamb was *already considered* slain before the foundation of the world. There was a plan.

Eternity-Central: We then see in the most central event of eternity, that at the cross of Christ, He became the Lamb that would be slain to complete this plan.

Eternity-Future: In **Revelation 5.9, 10,** we see that this Lamb that had been slain will be praised forever and ever. This was always the plan.

John 10.18 // Ephesians 1.3-13

We were also predestined before the foundation of the earth; we were the ones purchased by the blood of the Lamb, and we now can look forward with confidence that we will be singing forever and ever of the faithfulness, power, and grace of the King of kings.

THE NEW COVENANT

What will keep you for this glorious day, and every day afterwards as we walk into eternity? It is *not* your power or might or dedication, but it is the power of God Almighty who is *totally devoted* to those whom *He* has written in the book of life! And Jesus gives us the institute of communion to serve as a corporate family *reminder* of this great and awesome truth. He wants us to *remember always* that He has purchased us by His own blood and has forgiven us our sins.

Matthew 26.26-29 // Jeremiah 31.31-34



NOTES:

Will You Pray With Us?

Follow along with our daily prayer requests by downloading the **PrayerMate App**, available on both **iOS** and **Android** phones. Go to our website for detailed instructions on how to subscribe to the app to be praying with us daily, as well as reading through our **2 Year Bible Reading Plan**.

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION CHURCH!

We'd LOVE for you to fill out the green Connection Card on your seat to let us know you were here today. You can drop it in the offering at the end of service or take it to one of our teammates in a Green Shirt at the Connection Booth outside - we'd love to give you some welcome information. Feel free to grab some food or coffee out in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll join us next Sunday and consider making us your church family.

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

If you've ever taken your child to one of our **Kids** on **Mission** classes, or enjoyed a cup of coffee after service, chances are there was a faithful servant behind each of those examples. Serving is one of the **most fun & rewarding ways we experience community** with our church family! **Fill out a connection card** to learn about the serving apportunities available today.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

The best way to **get connected** in the church is by joining one of our **Community Groups!** You'll forge friendships, be encouraged, and take the sermon deeper into your heart every week. **Sign up for a Group** on a **Connection Card** or visit the **Connection Booth**. You won't regret it!

GIVING

Gospel-centered generosity is motivated by a heart of thankfulness because of the sacrificial love God has already shown us. If you call **Life Mission** your home, you can place your gift the offering baskets at the end of service, give online at **lifemissionchurch.com/blog/give** or mail a check to our PO Box. Thank you so much!

KIDS ON MISSION

Our **Kids on Mission** ministry has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. Visit our website to read more about the vision and plan we have for our kids, including Pastor Jobey's heart for the ministry and his walkthrough of our curriculum. For questions about KOM email **Katie McGinty** at **katie@lifemission.tv**

JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS

Our 6th - 8th graders worship with the adults and then head to the junior high room with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Our 9th - 12th graders stay in the service because we believe that it is critical for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate school. Our High School Ministry meets on Thursday Nights @7PM at Casey & Amy Barnes Home in San Marcos. For directions and/or questions about our student ministries, contact CaseyBarnes at casey@lifemission.tv.

VISION: WHY DO WE EXIST?

We want to see God's glory known among the nations, to the least, last, and lost.

MISSION: WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO?

We need to make disciples who make disciples locally and globally, who are saved, equipped, and sent by the Gospel.

STRATEGY: HOW WILL WE DO IT?

By teaching people how to be rooted in the Gospel of God's glory through the Word of God, Prayer, and Gospel Community.

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GPS MEETING

(GOSPEL POSITIONING STRATEGY)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2nd @ 6:30PM RSVP ON YOUR CONNECTION CARD!

This week, instead of meeting in our Community Groups, we will all gather together on Wednesday, March 2nd at 6.30pm for our quarterly GPS Meeting. At our GPS Meeting, we spend some time as a family reflecting on the Lord with song, hearing what the power of the Gospel has been doing among us, and then looking at a "road map" to help us look toward the near future as a church in how we are positioning ourselves with the Gospel.

Please RSVP to let us know about your childcare needs.



Making Disciples Who Make Disciples Locally and Globally, Who are Saved, Equipped, and Sent by the Gospel.



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SUNDAYS AT 10AM

Life Mission Church Meets at Classical Academy High School 207 E Pennsylvania Ave, Escondido 92025







