

# EASTER AT HILLSONG



## ***A CONNECT GROUP STUDY SERIES***

### Remember Me

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#### ***INTRODUCTION***

At the Last Supper, just hours before the crucifixion, Jesus performed three simple actions:

He broke bread.  
He lifted a cup.  
He invited them to a table.

And with these three actions, He instructed the disciples to ‘Do this in remembrance of Me.’ Human memorials usually point to the past. However, this remembrance that Jesus showed the disciples was not simply about looking back at that moment in history - but an invitation into something living. Every time we remember Jesus, we can encounter Him again. The cross is not past-tense. Jesus’ love is present, active, and transforming today in our lives.

At the table, the bread and the cup remind us that His sacrifice is central to our faith. We remember that we are also invited into a covenant relationship with Him and also with one another.

This Easter season in our church, we are reflecting on three powerful symbols from the Last Supper:  
The Bread.  
The Wine.  
The Table.

Each one carries the message of the cross into our present lives and points us toward the hope of the future. This Connect Group series invites us not just to remember what Jesus did - but to encounter Him as the living Christ again.

#### ***KEY SCRIPTURES***

##### **Luke 22:19–20 (NIV)**

*‘And he took bread, gave thanks, and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.”’*

##### **1 Corinthians 11:24–26 (NIV)**

*... ‘and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.’*

# EASTER - REMEMBER ME // **BREAD - SACRIFICE** // PART 1 OF 3

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## INTRODUCTION

This study is about the bread Jesus broke at the Last Supper and what it reveals about His love, sacrifice, healing, and the unity of His body, the Church. At Easter, we do not simply remember an event from the past. We remember Jesus in a way that brings His love into the present. The bread reminds us that His body was given for us personally, and that through His sacrifice we are brought into wholeness and into one body together.

**By the end of this study, we are believing that people will freshly encounter the love of Jesus, grow in gratitude for His sacrifice, and respond by living in unity with others.**

**Connect Question:** What is one meal, food, or family tradition that brings back a meaningful memory for you?

**Starting Question:** When you think about Jesus giving His body for you, what stirs in your heart most strongly right now: gratitude, awe, sorrow, hope, or something else?

## DISCOVERY

**Key Scriptures:** Luke 22:19-20, 1 Corinthians 11:24-26

**Truth:** Jesus gave the bread meaning by connecting it directly to His own body. The cross was not an accident or a tragedy outside of God's plan. Jesus willingly gave Himself in love, and He invites us to remember Him personally and continually.

**Personal Question:** When Jesus says, "This is my body given for you," what does that reveal about the nature of His love?

## DISCUSSION

**Scriptures:** Isaiah 53:4-5, John 6:51, Romans 5:8

**Exploring Question:** How do these scriptures help us understand the cost and depth of the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross?

**Scripture:** Hebrews 10:24-25, John 13:34-35

**Action Question:** What is one practical way you can honour Jesus' sacrifice this week through how you live, love, or serve others?

## DEVOTION

**Reflection Thought:** Holy Spirit, what are You highlighting to me through this study about the sacrifice of Jesus and His love for me?

**Journaling Prompt:** What is one thing I sense God asking me to respond to or grow in as I remember that Jesus gave His body for me?

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## CLOSING PRAYER

Lord Jesus,

Thank You for giving Your body for us. Thank You for the love revealed through the cross and the sacrifice You made so that we could be forgiven, restored, and brought close to You.

Help us to remember You not only in words but in the way we live. Teach us to walk in humility, love, and unity as part of Your body, the Church. Holy Spirit, shape our hearts so that the remembrance of Jesus leads us into deeper faith, gratitude, and obedience. May our lives reflect the love we have received.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

# EASTER - REMEMBER ME // WINE - COVENANT // PART 2 OF 3

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## INTRODUCTION

At the Last Supper, after breaking the bread, Jesus lifted the cup and spoke about something extraordinary. He said the wine represented His blood of the new covenant. Throughout Scripture, covenant represents a sacred relationship initiated by God. In the Old Testament, covenant was sealed through sacrifice. But in Jesus, God established a new covenant - not through the repeated sacrifices of animals, but through the once-and-for-all sacrifice of His Son.

The wine reminds us that through the blood of Jesus we are forgiven, restored, and brought into a new relationship with God. It speaks of grace, mercy, and the promise that our sins are no longer held against us.

**This study explores the power of the new covenant and the freedom we receive through the blood of Christ. As we remember Jesus, we are invited to live in the confidence, gratitude, and transformation that His sacrifice makes possible.**

**Connect Question:** Have you ever experienced a moment when someone forgave you or showed you grace when you didn't expect it? What did that moment mean to you?

**Starting Question:** Why do you think forgiveness is such a powerful and central part of the message of the cross?

## DISCOVERY

**Key Scriptures:** Luke 22:19–20, 1 Corinthians 11:24–26

**Truth:** When Jesus lifted the cup, He declared that His blood would establish a new covenant between God and humanity. Through His sacrifice we receive forgiveness, reconciliation, and a restored relationship with God.

**Personal Question:** What do these scriptures reveal about the new covenant Jesus established through His blood, and what does this tell us about God's desire for relationship with us?

## DISCUSSION

**Scriptures:** Jeremiah 31:33–34, Hebrews 9:22, Ephesians 1:7

**Exploring Question:** What do these scriptures reveal about the forgiveness and freedom we receive through the blood of Jesus?

**Scriptures:** Hebrews 10:19–22, 2 Corinthians 5:18–19

**Action Question:** How can remembering the forgiveness we have received through Jesus shape the way we live, forgive others, and approach God this week?

## DEVOTION

**Reflection Thought:** Holy Spirit, what are You highlighting to me about the forgiveness and grace I have received through the blood of Jesus?

**Journaling Prompt:** Is there an area of my life where I need to receive God's forgiveness more fully, or extend forgiveness to someone else?

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## CLOSING PRAYER

Lord Jesus,

Thank You for the blood of the new covenant. Thank You that through Your sacrifice we are forgiven, restored, and welcomed into relationship with God. Help us to live with grateful hearts, confident in Your grace. Teach us to walk in the freedom You have given us and to extend the same forgiveness and mercy to others.

Holy Spirit, shape our lives so that the remembrance of Jesus continually draws us closer to You.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

# EASTER - REMEMBER ME // **TABLE** — INVITATION // PART 3 OF 3

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## INTRODUCTION

At the Last Supper, Jesus did more than break bread and share a cup. He invited His disciples to sit at the table with Him. Throughout Scripture, the table represents relationship, belonging, and fellowship with God. It is a place where people gather, share life together, and experience hospitality and grace.

When Jesus shared the table with His disciples, He was revealing something deeper than a meal. Through His sacrifice, He was preparing a place where we could be welcomed into God's family. The table reminds us that we are invited into a relationship with Christ and with one another.

It also points us forward to the hope of the future, when we will gather with Him again in His Kingdom.

**This study explores what it means to be invited to the table of Jesus and how we can live as people who extend that same invitation of love and belonging to others.**

**Connect Question:** What is one meal or gathering around a table that has been meaningful to you and why?

**Starting Question:** Why do you think sharing a table with someone is such a powerful symbol of relationship and belonging?

## DISCOVERY

**Key Scriptures:** Luke 22:14–16, 1 Corinthians 11:24–26, Luke 22:19–20

**Truth:** Jesus intentionally gathered His disciples around the table before the cross. The table was a place of relationship, teaching, and preparation for what was about to happen.

**Personal Question:** What do these scriptures reveal about Jesus' desire to invite us into relationship with Him, and what does it mean for you personally to have a place at His table?

## DISCUSSION

**Scriptures:** Psalm 23:5, Luke 15:20–24, Revelation 3:20

**Exploring Question:** What do these scriptures reveal about God's heart to welcome us, restore us, and invite us into relationship with Him?

**Scriptures:** Romans 12:13, Hebrews 13:1–2, Matthew 9:10–13

**Action Question:** How can you intentionally create space this week to welcome, include, or show hospitality to someone in the way Jesus welcomes us to His table?

## DEVOTION

**Reflection Thought:** Holy Spirit, what are You highlighting to me about the invitation Jesus gives to come to His table and belong in His family?

**Journaling Prompt:** How is God inviting me to respond to His welcome, and who might He be asking me to welcome, include, or make space for in my life?

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## CLOSING PRAYER

Lord Jesus,

Thank You that through Your sacrifice we are invited to Your table. Thank You that we are welcomed into relationship with You and into the family of God. Help us to live with grateful hearts, knowing that we belong to You. Teach us to reflect Your heart by welcoming others, showing hospitality, and creating spaces where people can experience Your love and grace. Holy Spirit, lead us to live as people who carry the invitation of Jesus wherever we go.

In Jesus' name,  
Amen.