

WEEK SIX

MARK 14-16

DAY ONE

My past will remind me, but it will not define me.

— Andy Stanley

Peter is one of Jesus' boldest and possibly most impulsive disciples. He gets out of a boat in the middle of the night and walks on water with Jesus (Matthew 14:22-33). He promises to follow Jesus to the death (Mark 14:31). When Jesus is arrested and being led to his death, Peter hauls off and cuts off a guy's ear with his sword (John 18:1-11). He is also the first person to speak aloud that he believed that Jesus was the Savior of the world (Matthew 16:13-20).

At this point in the story, Jesus has reached a point of no return — the cross is coming. And before all of the events unfold leading up to his execution, he tells his disciples that they will all abandon him. Peter refuses to believe it, saying, "Even if all fall away, I will not" (Mark 14:29). Jesus responds by telling Peter that, "not only will you desert me, you'll refuse to acknowledge that you even know me three times before daybreak" (paraphrase of Mark 14:30).

Jesus was right. In three separate conversations that night, Peter would disown Jesus. And as the sun began to rise and the rooster crowed, the truth dawned in Peter's heart as well. He had done the very thing he vowed he would never do — he abandoned and denied Jesus at his greatest time of need. The Bible says that when he remembered that Jesus had predicted these very events, he "broke down and wept" (Mark 14:72).

What we learn from Peter is how to respond when we fail. It is unrealistic to assume that we'll always do the right thing when we feel afraid, accused, exposed, and threatened. Peter was deeply grieved by the way he had fallen short and how far his actions strayed from his words of devotion to Jesus. Even more, he didn't try to sugar-coat, explain away, or rationalize what he had done. And yet, while Peter expressed great sorrow for his sin, he did not allow this mistake to prevent him from receiving God's grace and moving forward into his role of becoming a co-founder of the first church. In fact, he would go on to author two books in the New Testament.

In 1 Peter 1:3-4, he writes these words:

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil, or fade.

These words reflect the heart of a person whose life has been completely transformed by the love and grace of God. They are a powerful reminder that no matter what mistakes we have made, we can live a new life. We are no longer defined by our successes or our failures, but by what Jesus has done for us.

READ

Mark 14

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Jesus Anointed at Bethany

14 Now the Passover and the Festival of Unleavened Bread were only two days away, and the chief priests and the teachers of the law were scheming to arrest Jesus secretly and kill him. ² "But not during the festival," they said, "or the people may riot."

³ While he was in Bethany, reclining at the table in the home of Simon the Leper, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, made of pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on his head.

⁴ Some of those present were saying indignantly to one another, "Why this waste of perfume?" ⁵ It could have been sold for more than a year's wages and the money given to the poor." And they rebuked her harshly.

⁶ "Leave her alone," said Jesus. "Why are you bothering her? She has done a beautiful thing to me. ⁷ The poor you will always have with you, and you can help them any time you want. But you will not always have me. ⁸ She did what she could. She poured perfume on my body beforehand to prepare for my burial. ⁹ Truly I tell you, wherever the gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her."

¹⁰ Then Judas Iscariot, one of the Twelve, went to the chief priests to betray Jesus to them. ¹¹ They were delighted to hear this and promised to give him money. So he watched for an opportunity to hand him over.

The Last Supper

¹² On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, when it was customary to sacrifice the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples asked him, "Where do you want us to go and make preparations for you to eat the Passover?"

¹³ So he sent two of his disciples, telling them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him. ¹⁴ Say to the owner of the house he enters, 'The Teacher asks: Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?'" ¹⁵ He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there."

¹⁶ The disciples left, went into the city and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover.

¹⁷ When evening came, Jesus arrived with the Twelve. ¹⁸ While they were reclining at the table eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me — one who is eating with me."

¹⁹ They were saddened, and one by one they said to him, "Surely you don't mean me?"

²⁰ "It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who dips bread into the bowl with me. ²¹ The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born."

²² While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take it; this is my body."

²³ Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and they all drank from it.

²⁴ "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many," he said to them. ²⁵ "Truly I tell you, I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

²⁶ When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Jesus Predicts Peter's Denial

²⁷ "You will all fall away," Jesus told them, "for it is written:

"I will strike the shepherd,
and the sheep will be scattered."

²⁸ But after I have risen, I will go ahead of you into Galilee."

²⁹ Peter declared, "Even if all fall away, I will not."

³⁰ "Truly I tell you," Jesus answered, "today — yes, tonight — before the rooster crows twice you yourself will disown me three times."

³¹ But Peter insisted emphatically, "Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you." And all the others said the same.

Gethsemane

³² They went to a place called Gethsemane, and Jesus said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." ³³ He took Peter, James and John along with him, and he began to be deeply distressed and troubled. ³⁴ "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death," he said to them. "Stay here and keep watch."

³⁵ Going a little farther, he fell to the ground and prayed that if possible the hour might pass from him. ³⁶ "Abba, Father," he said, "everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."

³⁷ Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Simon," he said to Peter, "are you asleep? Couldn't you keep watch for one hour?" ³⁸ Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."

³⁹ Once more he went away and prayed the same thing. ⁴⁰ When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. They did not know what to say to him.

⁴¹ Returning the third time, he said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Enough! The hour has come. Look, the Son of Man is delivered into the hands of sinners. ⁴² Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!"

Jesus Arrested

⁴³ Just as he was speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, appeared. With him was a crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests, the teachers of the law, and the elders.

⁴⁴ Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: “The one I kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.” ⁴⁵ Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, “Rabbi!” and kissed him. ⁴⁶ The men seized Jesus and arrested him. ⁴⁷ Then one of those standing near drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his ear.

⁴⁸ “Am I leading a rebellion,” said Jesus, “that you have come out with swords and clubs to capture me? ⁴⁹ Every day I was with you, teaching in the temple courts, and you did not arrest me. But the Scriptures must be fulfilled.” ⁵⁰ Then everyone deserted him and fled.

⁵¹ A young man, wearing nothing but a linen garment, was following Jesus. When they seized him, ⁵² he fled naked, leaving his garment behind.

Jesus Before the Sanhedrin

⁵³ They took Jesus to the high priest, and all the chief priests, the elders and the teachers of the law came together. ⁵⁴ Peter followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest. There he sat with the guards and warmed himself at the fire.

⁵⁵ The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for evidence against Jesus so that they could put him to death, but they did not find any. ⁵⁶ Many testified falsely against him, but their statements did not agree.

⁵⁷ Then some stood up and gave this false testimony against him: ⁵⁸ “We heard him say, ‘I will destroy this temple made with human hands and in three days will build another, not made with hands.’” ⁵⁹ Yet even then their testimony did not agree.

⁶⁰ Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, “Are you not going to answer? What is this testimony that these men are bringing against you?” ⁶¹ But Jesus remained silent and gave no answer.

Again the high priest asked him, “Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?”

⁶² “I am,” said Jesus. “And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven.”

⁶³ The high priest tore his clothes. “Why do we need any more witnesses?” he asked. ⁶⁴ “You have heard the blasphemy. What do you think?”

They all condemned him as worthy of death. ⁶⁵ Then some began to spit at him; they blindfolded him, struck him with their fists, and said, “Prophecy!” And the guards took him and beat him.

Peter Disowns Jesus

⁶⁶ While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came by. ⁶⁷ When she saw Peter warming himself, she looked closely at him.

“You also were with that Nazarene, Jesus,” she said.

⁶⁸ But he denied it. “I don’t know or understand what you’re talking about,” he said, and went out into the entryway.

⁶⁹ When the servant girl saw him there, she said again to those standing around, “This fellow is one of them.” ⁷⁰ Again he denied it.

After a little while, those standing near said to Peter, “Surely you are one of them, for you are a Galilean.”

⁷¹ He began to call down curses, and he swore to them, “I don’t know this man you’re talking about.”

⁷² Immediately the rooster crowed the second time. Then Peter remembered the word Jesus had spoken to him: “Before the rooster crows twice you will disown me three times.” And he broke down and wept.

RESPOND

Take some time this week to commit 1 Peter 1:3-4 to memory as a reminder of the gift of new life we have through Jesus, despite our biggest regrets and mistakes.

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil, or fade.

PRAY

The psalms are a great book of prayers in the Bible and can be really helpful when we want to pray, but aren't sure what to say. Today, we are going to use a portion of Psalm 103 as a guide for prayer (The words in bold have been substituted to make it read like a personal prayer).

*The Lord is compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger, abounding in love ...
he does not treat **me** as **my** sins deserve
or repay **me** according to my iniquities.
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his love for **me**;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed **my** transgressions from **me**.
As a father has compassion on his children,
so the Lord has compassion on **me**.*

DAY TWO

*Jesus was forsaken by God so that
we would never have to be.*

— Timothy Keller

At some point in our lives, we have all experienced dark and painful circumstances that are beyond our ability to understand or explain. A sudden, unexpected loss. A medical diagnosis. Long, unrelenting seasons of depression and anxiety. Broken relationships. Enduring abuse.

In moments where we have been knocked down by life, have made mistakes, and are plagued by unanswered questions, it is common to feel abandoned by God. We think, *God, if you really loved me, why would you let this happen to me?*

What Jesus provides for us through his death is far richer than a measured answer to our why questions. God knew that, while we crave answers in times of suffering, what we most need is an ally — someone who will journey alongside us when we're hurting and enter into the discomfort and mess of it all, loving us all along the way.

In Jesus, we have a God who is truly able to empathize with our weaknesses (Hebrews 4:15). He doesn't stand far off and intellectually analyze our suffering. He enters into our suffering by taking it upon himself. Christianity is the only faith in the world centered upon a suffering God.

The death of Jesus was one of the most corrupt, evil, and senseless acts in all of history while also being the most stunning, hope-filled, and beautiful demonstrations of sacrificial love the world has ever known. Jesus does his best work in the darkest places of our lives — transforming the most bleak and hopeless parts of our stories into something wonderful.

The cross of Jesus is a testament to us that while we may feel that God is silent, distant, or even absent, he has not now nor will he ever abandon us. Jesus endured the hell of ultimate separation from God for us on that day so that we would never experience it. And while we may not ever know why we experience times of difficulty and suffering, the cross reminds us of the truth that we are loved and that God has a plan for us.

READ

Mark 15

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Jesus Before Pilate

15 Very early in the morning, the chief priests, with the elders, the teachers of the law and the whole Sanhedrin, made their plans. So they bound Jesus, led him away and handed him over to Pilate.

² “Are you the king of the Jews?” asked Pilate.

“You have said so,” Jesus replied.

³ The chief priests accused him of many things. ⁴ So again Pilate asked him, “Aren’t you going to answer? See how many things they are accusing you of.”

⁵ But Jesus still made no reply, and Pilate was amazed.

⁶ Now it was the custom at the festival to release a prisoner whom the people requested. ⁷ A man called Barabbas was in prison with the insurrectionists who had committed murder in the uprising. ⁸ The crowd came up and asked Pilate to do for them what he usually did.

⁹ “Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?” asked Pilate, ¹⁰ knowing it was out of self-interest that the chief priests had handed Jesus over to him. ¹¹ But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have Pilate release Barabbas instead.

¹² “What shall I do, then, with the one you call the king of the Jews?” Pilate asked them.

¹³ “Crucify him!” they shouted.

¹⁴ “Why? What crime has he committed?” asked Pilate.

But they shouted all the louder, “Crucify him!”

¹⁵ Wanting to satisfy the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.

The Soldiers Mock Jesus

¹⁶ The soldiers led Jesus away into the palace (that is, the Praetorium) and called together the whole company of soldiers. ¹⁷ They put a purple robe on him, then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on him. ¹⁸ And they began to call out to him, “Hail, king of the Jews!” ¹⁹ Again and again they struck him on the head with a staff and spit on him. Falling on their knees, they paid homage to him. ²⁰ And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

The Crucifixion of Jesus

²¹ A certain man from Cyrene, Simon, the father of Alexander and Rufus, was passing by on his way in from the country, and they forced him to carry the cross. ²² They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means “the place of the skull”). ²³ Then they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. ²⁴ And they crucified him. Dividing up his clothes, they cast lots to see what each would get.

²⁵ It was nine in the morning when they crucified him. ²⁶ The written notice of the charge against him read: THE KING OF THE JEWS.

²⁷ They crucified two rebels with him, one on his right and one on his left. ²⁹ Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads and saying, “So! You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, ³⁰ come down from the cross and save yourself!” ³¹ In the same way the chief priests and the teachers of the law mocked him among themselves. “He saved others,” they said, “but he can’t save himself! ³² Let this Messiah, this king of Israel, come down now from the cross, that we may see and believe.” Those crucified with him also heaped insults on him.

The Death of Jesus

³³ At noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. ³⁴ And at three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?” (which means “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”).

³⁵ When some of those standing near heard this, they said, “Listen, he’s calling Elijah.”

³⁶ Someone ran, filled a sponge with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. “Now leave him alone. Let’s see if Elijah comes to take him down,” he said.

³⁷ With a loud cry, Jesus breathed his last.

³⁸ The curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. ³⁹ And when the centurion, who stood there in front of Jesus, saw how he died, he said, "Surely this man was the Son of God!"

⁴⁰ Some women were watching from a distance. Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joseph, and Salome. ⁴¹ In Galilee these women had followed him and cared for his needs. Many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem were also there.

The Burial of Jesus

⁴² It was Preparation Day (that is, the day before the Sabbath). So as evening approached, ⁴³ Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent member of the Council, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for Jesus' body. ⁴⁴ Pilate was surprised to hear that he was already dead. Summoning the centurion, he asked him if Jesus had already died. ⁴⁵ When he learned from the centurion that it was so, he gave the body to Joseph. ⁴⁶ So Joseph bought some linen cloth, took down the body, wrapped it in the linen, and placed it in a tomb cut out of rock. Then he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. ⁴⁷ Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph saw where he was laid.

REFLECT

1 Do I feel closer to God or farther from God when I'm going through a difficult time? Why do I think this is?

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2 How does my understanding of Jesus' suffering for me impact the way I view trials and difficulties I face in my life?

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RESPOND

In many ways, the struggles that we experience shape us into the people we are today. Jesus is also always using the darkest parts of our lives and transforming them for good. Take some time today to focus on 1-3 difficult events that have occurred in your life and record them on the left side of the chart. On the right side, write a strength, skill, or good that has occurred in your life as a result of this struggle. Examples below:

PAINFUL EVENT	POSITIVE OUTCOME
Being bullied	Having compassion and a desire to include those who are lonely, often excluded, and seen as unpopular
Being raised by a single parent	Making a commitment to be an engaged, committed parent to your kids or making a point to show every child that you interact with that they are important

PRAY

Take some time to thank God today for the way he has not wasted your struggles and how he has transformed them into good. If you're in the middle of a difficult season and aren't quite sure how God will come through, ask God to help you to believe that he is with you, that he hasn't abandoned you, and that he has a plan for your life.

DAY THREE

*The resurrection was God's way of stamping PAID IN FULL
right across history so that nobody could miss it.*

— Timothy Keller

Beginning in childhood, we are captivated by stories. Kids have this incredible capacity to watch the same movies over and over again — never growing tired of watching the hero win in the face of adversity, seeing the princess rescued by the prince, and taking in the moments where all that was wrong in the world is set right and the characters experience their happily ever after.

Even as adults, stories like these have the power to transport us from the circumstances of our lives and provide us with a taste of redemption, fulfillment, and love — even if for just a moment. The everyday realities of our lives are far from the makings of a fairy tale or a superhero movie. Real life is filled with bland daily tasks, strained relationships, unfulfilling jobs, and unmet expectations. Even the happiest moments of our lives — holidays, family vacations, major life events — can feel so fleeting and are often filled with mixed emotions, never quite containing the level of magic we remembered as a child.

There is something written on the hearts of all of us that longs for a kind of peace, contentment, and wholeness that really lasts. As we come to the end of this story of Jesus and look at his resurrection, we find the ultimate happily ever after. What is even better is that, unlike a fairy tale, this story is true.

Jesus is the great hero who has risked everything to rescue us. He is the true prince who has come to wake us from our sleep and into a life of abundant hope and fulfillment.

The resurrection of Jesus grants us access to live in this story today and forever. Following Jesus does not mean that we become naive or escapist, but rather that we live in this world with expectant hope — believing that one day every wrong will be set right, that we will see the purpose behind our every scar, and “everything sad will become untrue” (Timothy Keller).

READ

Mark 16

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Jesus Has Risen

16 When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus’ body. ² Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb ³ and they asked each other, “Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?”

⁴ But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. ⁵ As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.

⁶ “Don’t be alarmed,” he said. “You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷ But go, tell his disciples and Peter, ‘He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.’”

⁸ Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

[The earliest manuscripts and some other ancient witnesses do not have verses 9–20.]

⁹ *When Jesus rose early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had driven seven demons. ¹⁰ She went and told those who had been with him and who were mourning and weeping. ¹¹ When they heard that Jesus was alive and that she had seen him, they did not believe it.*

¹² *Afterward Jesus appeared in a different form to two of them while they were walking in the country. ¹³ These returned and reported it to the rest; but they did not believe them either.*

¹⁴ *Later Jesus appeared to the Eleven as they were eating; he rebuked them for their lack of faith and their stubborn refusal to believe those who had seen him after he had risen.*

¹⁵ *He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. ¹⁶ Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned. ¹⁷ And these signs will accompany those who believe: In my name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues; ¹⁸ they will pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt them at all; they will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well.”*

¹⁹ *After the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, he was taken up into heaven and he sat at the right hand of God. ²⁰ Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them and confirmed his word by the signs that accompanied it.*

REFLECT

1 In what ways do I see Jesus differently than I did at the beginning of this study?

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RESPOND

Reflecting on the resurrection is a reminder that, as Christians, we have been given an incredible gift. In response to this gift, pick a portion of a day or an entire day this week to engage in *celebration* — doing things that give you joy. Eat foods and listen to music you love. Enjoy being in creation. Read a book that challenges you or transports you to another world. Take a nap. Do it all with a heart of thankfulness to God for his goodness and love.

PRAY

As you pray today, thank God for all the things you have learned about him through the life of Jesus. Thank him for the way he has shown up in your life and in the lives of your small group members. Ask God to show you how he would like you to respond to what you have learned moving forward.

A DEEPER LOOK THE LAST SUPPER

*“While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, ‘Take it; this is my body.’ Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and they all drank from it. ‘This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many,’ he said to them.
— Mark 14:22-24*

In Mark 11, Jesus enters the city of Jerusalem in the midst of preparation for one of the most significant Jewish holidays of the year — Passover.

If you’re familiar with the Old Testament, you might remember the story of The Exodus. The Israelite people were in slavery under Egypt and under the leadership of Moses. God promises to lead his people to freedom and performs ten miraculous signs (known as the ten plagues) in order to compel Pharaoh, the leader of Egypt, to let them go.

After each plague, Pharaoh permits the Israelites to leave and then quickly changes his mind. As a last resort, God prepares a final plague – that the firstborn of every Egyptian family would die. God commands the Israelites to apply the blood of a lamb to their door frames that this plague might “pass over” them. This time, Pharaoh allowed them to leave (you can read the full story in Exodus 1-12).

From this day forward, the Passover became an annual Jewish celebration to remember how God brought them out of slavery. Every year, a traditional meal would be eaten. Each family was required to provide a lamb that was visually perfect — without any spots or blemishes of any kind. This lamb was then sacrificed to provide a symbolic repayment for the sins of the family for the entire year, and then consumed as the main course of the Passover meal.

Animal sacrifice was a fundamental practice of Judaism in the Old Testament, instated to provide the people with a way to atone – or make amends for — their sin. The problem with the sacrificial system was that the results were temporary. The people would make a sacrifice, sin again, and then need to provide another sacrifice to obtain forgiveness for the new sins. It was a never-ending process.

In Mark 14, Jesus celebrates the Passover with his disciples. It is the last meal they will share together before his death. All of the traditional elements of this meal were carefully prepared by the disciples — except for one. There was no lamb. This year, Jesus himself would serve as the spotless, sacrificial lamb.

On the cross, Jesus provided himself as the ultimate substitutionary sacrifice. He paid the debt for all of our sin — past, present, and future – by taking the punishment we deserved in our place.

Jesus did not simply wipe our slates clean from sin on the cross, he also transferred his righteousness to us. This means that, when we receive the gift of salvation, God treats us as if we’ve lived a 100% perfect life. It’s like someone not only paying off an enormous amount of debt and then depositing millions of dollars into your account.

We now celebrate communion or the Lord’s Supper as a commemoration of the incredible gift that Jesus provided for us through his death. It is a powerful reminder that we receive both forgiveness and acceptance from God through Christ alone.

MESSAGE NOTES (NOVEMBER 18/19):

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