

Cornerstone Congregational Church  
Communion – 1/6/18

- OT Background of the Lord's Supper and how it helps us more appreciate the work of Christ.
- Why unleavened bread?
- Passover
- God's people enslaved and oppressed.
- God promised liberation and he accomplished this through Moses.
- He rescued them by wrenching them from the hand of their Egyptian masters by means of 10 plagues.
- The final plague was to be the plague of the firstborn – that the firstborn of each family of all the Egyptians would die but the Israelites would be spared. After this, Pharaoh would release the people.
- The Passover was first instituted on the night of this final and decisive 10<sup>th</sup> plague and the Passover is the primary OT background for the Lord's Supper.
- Element 1: The Passover Lamb.
- Element 2: Unleavened Bread.
- Why unleavened bread? Unleavened bread is a hastily prepared bread. It's bread that is baked before the yeast is added. This recalls that the first Passover was eaten with haste. The people ate the Passover with unleavened bread, with their sandals on their feet, and their staff in their hand because they knew that their redemption was coming quickly.
- Christ our Passover lamb.
- Unleavened bread → look back and remember our redemption but also eat it with anticipation, that the completion of our salvation is coming soon.
  
- Servers to come up
- Lord's Supper is for those who have repented of their sins and believed in Jesus, so if you are not a follower of Christ, I ask that you would allow the elements to pass.
- Pray.
- Bread  
The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, 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."
- Cup  
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."