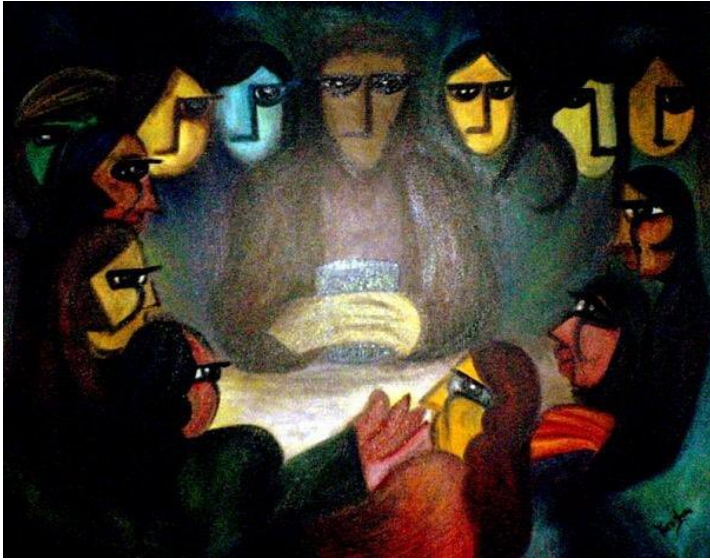


THE FIRST STOP: THE LORD'S SUPPER

"I am going to celebrate the Passover with my disciples..."



Modern Version of the Last Supper
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On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, 'Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?' He said, 'Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, "The Teacher says, my time is near; I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.'" So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal.

(Matthew 26:17-19)

Reflect I sit, a child at your table, and you feed me. You break bread and pass it to me with nourishing drink, here at this meal commemorating family, history, and belief. You do this today, and you will do this all the days of my life. You give me my daily bread.

Tradition calls this your "last Supper," but this night, truly, is the *beginning* of a promise that you will keep – at great cost – a promise that those who love you will treasure into eternity. Some of us, from time to time, will forget; some of us, from time to time, will falter, but together we will *remember* your covenant made this night. Tonight you promise us eternal life, and tonight you give us food for the journey. I will partake, and I *will remember*.

Pray **Jesus, give me this day my daily bread, and feed me throughout my life. Keep me every mindful of your love and your care for me, and bring me into eternal life with you. Amen.**

Sing *Jesus, our life-giving bread. Jesus, our life-giving bread.
Jesus, our source; Jesus, our nourishment.
Jesus, our God and our all.*