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Communion and Competition / Luke 22 / April 6th

1. Preparation – Introduction : Luke 1-2
2. Preaching—Jesus and His mission : Luke 3-9
3. Parables—Journey to Jerusalem : Luke 10-19
4. **Passion—Jesus's final week in Jerusalem : Luke 20-24**

Jesus Christ came to **SAVE** (Luke 19:10).

-"The Bible is one of the greatest blessings bestowed by God on the children of men. It has God for its author; salvation for its end, and truth without any mixture for its matter. It is all pure. -John Locke

-God's way is perfect and his Word is flawless. A perfect God could have nothing less than perfect communication with his people. It is we who read hastily, skip prayer, and fail to meditate on his Word, who find it confusing. — Tim Keller

BIBLE:

B - Boldness in Christ

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." – Joshua 1:9

I - Identity in Christ

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" – 2 Corinthians 5:17

B - Brotherhood in Unity

"As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another." – Proverbs 27:17

L - Leadership through Service

"Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave." – Matthew 20:26-27

E - Endurance in Faith

"Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith." – Hebrews 12:1-2

Luke 22 + John 13:

1. Jesus Desires Intimacy (Closeness) with you.
2. Communion Isn't About Me, It's About Him.

A. Greatness Requires Humility (Luke 22:1-6).

B. Greatness Involves Sacrifice (Luke 22:7-13).

C. Greatness is Found in Serving (Luke 22:14-23).

In God's kingdom, **ACTIVITY** does not equal greatness. Humble service does.

D. Greatness is Forged in Suffering (Luke 22:24-30).

“Jesus, as I come to Your table...”

- I Remember
- I Confess
- I Receive
- I Look Ahead With Hope
- I Yield

MY ONE SENTENCE SO WHAT?

- A. I will put my Bible in my hands daily, completing the reading plan (Luke 22-24 / John 13-17).
- B. I will meet up with a 4C member for Sunday lunch— initiate the invitation and ask three thoughtful questions. (Skyline 😊)
- C. I will prepare my heart for Easter by praying for ____, inviting ____, and sending a text to ___ on Saturday.
- D. I haven't been generous in a while, but I will give today.
- E. I need to stop _____. Please pray with me for strength in this.

Extra Credit: I'll read the book of Luke 2x by Easter with my spouse/friend and discuss.

