

## **Session 14. Climax: The Passion and Resurrection of Jesus (26:6-28:20)**

*Announcements:* Life Coaches for Kids: please contact Nick Spring at nspring@consultant.com  
- *Final week of Keystone this spring; Resumes in the fall*

*PB's (tentative) Summer Reading List: Corner Conversations: Engaging Dialogues About God and Life, by Randy Newman; Pastoring Men, by Patrick Morely; Hearing God's Words: Exploring Biblical Spirituality, Peter Adam; Holiness, by J.C. Ryle; Jesus and the Victory of God, by N.T. Wright*

*Where we are:*

VII. The Passion and Resurrection of Jesus (26:6-28:20)

### **Introduction**

#### **Small Group Exegesis Exercise**

##### **Key Questions to ask of the text:**

- Why do you think Matthew choose to include this? What does it add to the narrative?
- Who is the primary audience of this text? Who is Matthew/Jesus mainly talking to?
- What does it tell us about what the Kingdom of Heaven/God is like?
- What does it tell us about what a disciple of Christ is like?
- Are there clear personal applications for us as disciples of Christ that are rooted in the text?

##### **Texts:**

The Passover Celebration and Institution of the Lord's Supper (26:17-29)

Jesus' Prediction of Peter's Denial and His Praying in Gethsemene (26:30-46)

The Betrayal, Arrest, and Jesus's Trial Before the Sanhedrin (26:47-68)

Judas' Hanging and Jesus' Trial Before Pilate (27:3-31)

The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus (27:32-56)

The Resurrection and Great Commission (28:1-20)

**Worship: *Lift High the Cross*** George Kitchin

*Refrain*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,  
Till all the world adore His sacred Name.

Come, Christians follow where our Savior trod,  
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God!

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,  
The hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
As Thou hast promised, draw the world to Thee.

Set up thy throne, that earth's despair may cease,  
Beneath the shadow of its healing peace.