REMEMBER

"The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'"

—1 Corinthians 11:23-25

34 A Last Supper Together

OUR HUMAN CONDITION

We so easily forget who we are. We so easily forget what God has done, is doing, and will do. So often we try to go it alone. We neglect the Word of God, the food of God, the people of God. We need times together to remember, to affirm, to promise. We need what Christ has given, the new covenant and the common meal of thanksgiving.

ASSIGNMENT

The Scripture readings this week will be "remembrance" passages that fortify understanding of the peculiar covenant people and we who are grafted into the covenant people, forgiven and freed by Christ Jesus and set apart for God's ministry to the world.

- Day 1 Genesis 12:1-3 (blessed to be a blessing); 17:1-21 (a covenant people); Deuteronomy 24:17-22 (responsibilities of covenant people)
- Day 2 Leviticus 2:11-16 (salt of the covenant); Matthew 5:13 (saltiness)
- Day 3 Jeremiah 31:31-34 (a new covenant); 2 Corinthians 3:1-6 (tablets of the heart)
- Day 4 Matthew 5–7, TEV (Sermon on the Mount, a special kind of people)
- Day 5 Hebrews 9 (mediator of a new covenant)
- Day 6 Isaiah 6 (a call to ministry). Read and respond to "The Bible Teaching."
- Day 7 Rest and prayer.

PRAYER

Pray daily before study:

"Your constant love is better than life itself, and so I will praise you.

I will give you thanks as long as I live; I will raise my hands to you in prayer.

My soul will feast and be satisfied, and I will sing glad songs of praise to you" (Psalm 63:3-5, TEV).

Prayer concerns for this week: