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"IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME"

(Matthew 26:17-30)

INTRODUCTION

Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those who have died in service of the United States of America.

General John Logan, in his General Order #11, stated "The 30th of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades ... "

National Holiday Act of 1971 stated it to be observed on the last Monday in May.

In 1915, inspired by the poem "In Flanders Fields", Monia Michael conceived of the idea to wear red poppies on Memorial Day to honor those who died serving our nation during war.

In 1922, the VFW became the organization to sell red poppies made by disabled veterans.

In the Bible's New Testament, there is established a **weekly memorial day** and event to remember the One who died for us, and we read about it in our lesson text.

(Matthew 26:17-30; Mark 14:12-26; Luke 22:7-23; 1 Corinthians 11:23-34)

1. WHEN / HOW DID THIS MEMORIAL GET ITS START: THE LORD'S SUPPER?

Jesus and the disciples were observing the Passover when He institutes His supper.

The annual Passover observance was a remembrance of Israel's exodus from Egypt's bondage.

After 9 plagues, Pharaoh refused to let Israel leave Egypt. ^{and}

The 10th plague: (Ex. 11:5) "and all the firstborn in the of Egypt shall die"

Israel's instructions to escape it (the Passover): (Exodus 12:8, v14, v26-28)

(Matt. 26:19) "So the disciples ... prepared the Passover"

2. WHAT ARE THE 2 ITEMS IN THE LORD'S SUPPER?

Unleavened bread - (Exodus 12:8; Matthew 26:26; 1 Corinthians 11:23-24)

The cup - (Matthew 26:27-28; Mark 14:23-25; 1 Corinthians 11:25)

3. WHAT SHALL WE CALL THIS MEMORIAL?

(1 Corinthians 10:16) "the communion" and (v21) "the Lord's table"

(1 Corinthians 11:20-21) "the Lord's supper" (Acts 20:7) "break bread"

4. WHEN (HOW OFTEN) ARE WE TO OBSERVE THE LORD'S SUPPER?

(Acts 20:7) "Now on the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread"

5. WHAT ARE WE TO REMEMBER WHEN OBSERVING THE LORD'S SUPPER?

(1 Corinthians 11:24-25) "this do in remembrance of Me"

(1 Cor. 11:26) "For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes" - we remember and testify to our faith that He is coming again.

6. DOES PARTAKING OF THE COMMUNION FORGIVE ME OF MY SINS? No!

(Acts 2:38) "Repent ... be baptized ... for the remission of sins ... "