## My House Shall Be a House of Prayer

### INTRODUCTION

• People were gathering for the Festival of Pa\_\_\_\_\_ – the time to remember God's gracious act of sa\_\_\_\_\_ His people, of liberating them out of the bon\_\_\_\_\_ of slavery.

### A HOUSE OF PRAYER

- During Passover, all male Jews were obligated to go to Je\_\_\_\_\_, go to the te\_\_\_\_\_ and offer a sac\_\_\_\_\_.
- Describe what it was like at the Temple.\_\_\_\_\_\_
- In Isaiah 56:1-8 we see that out\_\_\_\_\_\_ are brought in. Sal\_\_\_\_\_\_ is for all who come to him. They are given an ever\_\_\_\_\_\_ name. His house is ho\_\_\_\_\_ and the name of the LORD is loved and will bring them j\_\_\_\_\_. It is a house of wor\_\_\_\_\_\_ in which the LORD is revered and praised!
- In Ezekiel 43:1-9, we find that the temple of the LORD is filled with the gl\_\_\_\_\_ of the LORD. It is a place where He dw\_\_\_\_\_ in the midst of His people.
- How do the references from Isaiah and Ezekiel apply to us?

### NOT A DEN OF ROBBERS

- Read Jeremiah 7:1-11. Describe the people who were coming into the temple.\_\_\_\_\_
- You rob yourself and others from the r\_\_\_\_\_ that God has to offer. Give some examples of God's riches that are robbed from you and others. \_\_\_\_\_
- There is always a tendency to make the house of the Lord something less than His house.
  - Lega\_\_\_\_\_ or rote. Worship becomes devoid of the l\_\_\_\_ of God and the l\_\_\_\_ for one another.
  - 2. Any\_\_\_\_\_ goes. Give an example\_\_\_\_\_

### THE PLACE WHERE OUR SAVIOR KING HEALS

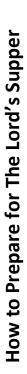
- The blind and lame would have been the ou\_\_\_\_\_.
- "Hosanna to the Son of David"; this must be understood as an expression of ex\_\_\_\_\_\_ and honor. Hosanna means literally, "S\_\_\_\_\_\_ us!" or
- By quoting Psalm 8, Jesus affirms that the p\_\_\_\_\_ they are giving him is indeed appropriate. The Me\_\_\_\_\_, God himself was in their midst. The K\_\_\_\_ was in His temple.

### HEAR THE WORD, APPLY THE WORD

JOY Church, is this house the LORD's house? Are we a house in which we come to worship Jesus? Are we a house that lifts high the cross? Are we a house in in which we come to be healed and restored? Are we a house in which the gospel is proclaimed and salvation comes to all who call upon his name? Are we a house in which God is worshipped in spirit and truth?

Are we a house of prayer?





In order that you may receive this Holy Sacrament in a worthy manner you should carefully consider what you must now believe and do. From the words of Christ: "This is My body, which is given for you; This is My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins;" you should believe that Jesus Christ is present with His body and blood, as the words declare. From Christ's words, "For the remission of sins," you should also believe that Jesus gives to you His body and blood to strengthen your assurance that your sins are forgiven. And, finally, you should do as Christ commands you when He says: "Take, eat; Drink of it, all of you; This do in remembrance of me."

If you believe these words of Christ, and do as He has commanded, then you have properly examined yourselves and may eat Christ's body and drink His blood in a worthy manner. You should, also, unite in giving thanks to Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for so great a gift, and should love one another with a pure heart, and thus, with the whole Christian Church, have comfort and joy in Christ our Lord. To this end may God the Father give you His

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## The Lord's Supper

We believe that the Lord's Supper is more than a remembrance. We believe that in the Lord's Supper Christ Jesus is truly present in body and blood, given in bread and wine for us to eat and drink. We also believe it is a means by which we receive true forgiveness of sin.

The Lord's supper is for those who are baptized and confess Jesus as Lord and Savior.

Learn more on how to prepare for The Lord's Supper