

Revelation i. 5, 6. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood. (6) And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Q. 79. When did Christ institute the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper?

A. At the Paschal Feast, on the night when He was betrayed.

Luke xxii. 15-20. And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer: (16) For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God. (17) And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, Take this, and divide it among yourselves: (18) For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come. (19) And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body, which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. (20) Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, this cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.

Q. 80. When Christ said "this Passover," to what did He refer?

A. To the paschal lamb.

Q. 81. Was the lamb which was upon the table, and of which they did eat, really the Passover?

A. No; only its emblem or "token."

Q. 82. What was the Passover?

A. It was the act of the Lord, whereby He passed over the children of Israel, while He slew all the first-born of Egypt.

Exodus xii. 12, 13, 50, 51. For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the first born in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the Lord. (13) And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt. . . . (50) Thus did all the children of Israel; as the Lord commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they. (51) And it came to pass the self-same day, that the Lord did bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt by their armies.