

**LUKE 1:67-
69; 72-79**



**FINDING MY WAY
TO THE MANGER**

1. THE “TABLE” REMINDS US THAT THE MOST IMPORTANT PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS IS SPIRITUAL.

A. PURPOSE OF THE FORERUNNER- TO POINT TO JESUS. 1:76

B. JOHN’S MESSAGE - SELF-EXAMINATION THAT TURNED TO GOD. LK 1:77; 3:33

2. THE “TABLE” REMINDS US THAT WE MUST HAVE A SAVIOR; AND, GOD HAS GIVEN US ONE – JESUS.

- **JESUS – MEDIATOR. HEB 9:15, 12:24; 1 TIM 2:5**
- **LK. 1:68 "BLESSED BE THE LORD GOD OF ISRAEL, FOR HE HAS VISITED AND REDEEMED HIS PEOPLE.**

3. THE “TABLE” REMINDS US OF THE 1ST SALVATION OF THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL.

- **SACRIFICIAL LAMB.**
 - **UNBLEMISHED, WO DEFECT**
 - **BLOOD Poured UPON THE PEOPLE.**
 - **BODY ROASTED OVER A FIRE AND EVERYTHING EATEN**
- **MEDIATOR – JESUS. HEB 9:15, 12:24; 1 TIM 2:5**

THE MANGER LEADS TO THE CROSS WHERE THE LAMB IS SLAIN.

- LK. 22:19-20 AND HE TOOK BREAD, AND WHEN HE HAD GIVEN THANKS, HE BROKE IT AND GAVE IT TO THEM, SAYING, "THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU. DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME."²⁰ AND LIKEWISE THE CUP AFTER THEY HAD EATEN, SAYING, "THIS CUP THAT IS POURED OUT FOR YOU IS THE NEW COVENANT IN MY BLOOD.

4. JESUS MEDIATED A NEW COVENANT OF GRACE.

- JEREMIAH 31:31-34 – THE NEW COVENANT:

- A. PROMISE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

- B. THE LAW WRITTEN ON MY HEART AND THE HS TO ENABLE ME TO FOLLOW CHRIST

- C. FORGIVENESS OF PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE SINS – ETERNAL LIFE.

APPLICATION

1. HAVE YOU PARTAKEN OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST BY BELIEVING IN HIS WORK ON THE CROSS? WILL YOU DO SO TODAY?
2. HAVE YOU TURNED TO THE “MANGER” THIS CHRISTMAS? DO SO TODAY IN PRAYER.