**Key Passages**

**Bible Drill Devotions**

***Green Cycle***

**7. THE FIRST LORD’S SUPPER Luke 22:15-20**

**Key Verse/s** *Luke 22:19b ESV “This is my body, which is given for you…”*

**Why Is This Key Passage Important?** The First Lord’s Supper reminds us of what Jesus did for us when He gave up His life (His body represented by the bread) and His life blood (represented by the juice). It also causes people to ask questions when they see the Lord’s Supper, and they learn what Jesus did for all people.

**Lesson** “The Lord’s Supper” has other names – it is also known as “The Last Supper.” Methodists and Presbyterians may call it “Communion.” Catholics use “Eucharist” and “Communion.” When talking to friends of other religious faiths, it is good to know that we are talking about the same event, but by different names.

Why did Jesus do the things he did in this Key Passage? Why unleavened bread? Why red wine? You will find the reasons by reading the story of “The Passover” in Exodus 12:1-13,16 and making the comparisons. In “The Passover” the Israelites took the blood of a lamb and painted it over the doorposts of their houses. When the death angel came by, he passed over the houses where the blood was, and no one in the house died that night. Jesus’ blood is like the blood of the lamb. His blood also keeps us alive. The sacrifice of His life keeps us alive for eternity.

There are some unusual monuments in Alabama and around the nation. There is the monument to the boll weevil in Enterprise, Alabama. That monument is to remind people of an insect that destroyed the cotton crops in the area. Thanks to the boll weevil the farmers changed to peanuts and soon the area became one of the leading peanut producers in the nation.

There is a monument to the bird dog in Union Springs, Alabama, and a monument to the coon dog in north Alabama. In Sylacauga there is a marble monument to the only meteorite known to have hit a person when it landed. In Utah, there is a monument to the seagull – an unusual monument for a place that has no ocean. The monument is a reminder of when the gulls came in and ate the

cricket-like insects that were destroying the crops. The people felt it was a miracle that the gulls appeared and saved their crops from the insects.

In Iowa, there is monument recognizing the birth place of Captain James T. Kirk of Star Trek. It states that this is the location of the future birthplace of James T. Kirk, March 22, 2228.

All of these monuments are to help people remember something.

The activity of participating in the Lord’s Supper, as we are instructed to do in Luke 22:15-20, is to help us remember something. That something is what Jesus did for us when he sacrificed his life so that we would be able to go to heaven.

In The First Lord’s Supper, Jesus said He gave his disciples the bread and the wine so that as often as they ate the bread and drank the wine, in this special ceremony, they would remember what Jesus had done for them.