

Luke 22:13

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

And they went, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover. The verse confirms Jesus' prophetic word perfectly fulfilled—they went (ἀπελθόντες, apelthontes, aorist active participle) shows immediate obedience, and **found as he had said** (εὗρον καθὼς εἰρήκει αὐτοῖς, heuron kathōs eirēkei autois) emphasizes exact correspondence between promise and reality. Kathōs ('just as/exactly as') stresses precise fulfillment.

And they made ready the passover (ήτοίμασαν τὸ πάσχα, hētoimasan to pascha, aorist active) completes their assigned task. This simple statement encompasses hours of work: temple sacrifice, meal preparation, room arrangement. Their faithful preparation of earthly bread and wine set the stage for Jesus to reveal heavenly realities. The disciples' obedience, even without understanding the full significance, enabled Christ's institution of the New Covenant meal. God uses faithful servants who do what they're told, trusting His larger purposes.

Historical Context

Passover preparation followed strict Levitical guidelines: removing all leaven from the house, slaughtering the lamb at the temple between 3-5 PM, roasting it whole without breaking bones (Exodus 12:46, fulfilled in John 19:36), preparing unleavened bread (matzah), bitter herbs (maror), charoset (fruit paste), four cups of wine, and arranging for the traditional Seder questions and responses.

Related Passages

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Study Questions

1. When has God's word to you been fulfilled 'just as He said,' strengthening your faith for future promises?
2. How does the disciples' faithful preparation—even without knowing they were preparing history's most significant meal—encourage you to faithful obedience in 'small' tasks?
3. What does the exact fulfillment of Jesus' predictions in this passage reveal about the trustworthiness of His other promises?

Interlinear Text

ἀπελθόντες δὲ εὗρον καθὼς είρήκεν αὐτοῖς καὶ
they went And and found as he had said unto them and
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