



Supplies

- Bible
- 4 napkins
- play dough

I Wonder...

Beforehand, layer three flat play dough ovals between napkins, like the photo below, and then top the stack with a fourth napkin.

Remember this part of the Bible story?



Read aloud Luke 22:19.

Jesus and his disciples were celebrating a holiday called Passover.

- ? I wonder...why did Jesus use bread to represent his body?** Explain how comparisons help us better understand things, such as someone describing how soft a cloth is by comparing it to feathers. **When has a comparison helped you understand something?** Invite a few responses from the group.

Jesus was comparing his body to the breaking bread because he was about to allow his body to be broken for his friends' sins—and for our sins. And he did it because he loves us so much.

For the Passover meal, three pieces of bread were put in a special holder. The middle piece was called the *afikomen*. It was hidden for later in the meal. Let's hide our pretend afikomen now.

Pull out the middle piece of "bread" play dough. Invite one person to close eyes tightly while another hides the bread. Take turns hiding the bread and finding it. Then break it into pieces to share with everyone.

- ? How is the afikomen like Jesus' body?** Invite a few responses from the group.

The afikomen was hidden and found. Jesus' body was buried, or hidden, but then he came back to life. He let his body be broken to make a way for us to be forgiven friends of God. **Jesus shows us God's love. (Thanks, Jesus!)**





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- Bible
- plastic cups (1 per person)
- permanent markers

Make It Real

Today we're discovering that **Jesus shows us God's love.** *(Thanks, Jesus!)*



Read aloud Luke 22:17-18.

During the Passover meal, Jesus took a cup and gave a special blessing. Let's make this true thing Jesus did a little more real—because we still do similar things today!

At special meals, like at a wedding or birthday, people share a blessing—which is saying honoring, kind, and grateful words about the guest of honor. Speeches like this remind us of the great things the person has done and celebrate that person.

Give each person a cup, and set out the markers to share. Have everyone write a blessing to remember and celebrate Jesus on their cups. Invite friends to share the honoring words they wrote for Jesus with the group.

? What are some other ways we can honor and thank Jesus with our words?

Our good friend Jesus deserves our honoring words—every day. And every time we do what Jesus told us to do to remember him, we're showing we're grateful that **Jesus shows us God's love.** *(Thanks, Jesus!)*





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