


	Supper III – The Institution of the Eucharist	
Presence of God	Considering how God looks at me.	
History Mc 14,22-24	<p>22 While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take it; this is my body.”</p> <p>23 Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and they all drank from it.</p> <p>24 “This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many,” he said to them.</p>	
Petition	<i>Lord, may I know you more clearly, love you more deeply and follow you more nearly!</i>	
Contemplation	The festival of Passover (review John 13) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Jesus loves his Father who sends Him to save men (Jesus is happy because he is going to the Father).</i> • <i>Jesus loves his friends and is happy because He will save them through his sacrifice</i> • <i>Jesus washes his friends’ feet to teach them that we must all serve each other.</i> 	<p>Passover was the festival where the Jews thanked God for having saved them from slavery.</p> <p>This Passover will be special, God loves men to the end and will save them so that they can live with Him for ever.</p>
	Simply bread <i>Imagine Jesus taking the bread ... what are his hands like? (Children share their ideas... they do good, they work, caress the children, the poor; the sick; they bless, they heal and work miracles, they multiplied loaves, they are nailed...)</i> <i>Jesus takes bread (that becomes his own flesh), and this is a sign to show that He – who is the owner of Himself – can voluntarily offer Himself out of love. He wants to remain intimately connected with his friends, that is why He turns into Sacramental Bread, to be within them.</i> <i>Imagine Jesus making the decision of offering his life to stay with us, despite all the pain and suffering.</i> <i>Imagine... How does He feel when He makes that decision?</i>	Bread is a simple kind of food.
	Jesus gives thanks and breaks the bread <i>Jesus gives thanks to his Father for his being – received from Him –, which He can offer to save his friends.</i> <i>That being sent by the Father to this world, was conceived in Mary’s womb, and raised and nourished by Her and St. Joseph, and all the people who helped Him. Imagine Jesus’ gratitude.</i> <i>Imagine Jesus breaking the bread to feed his friends. He is the bread, who is broken and sacrificed for our wellbeing.</i>	<p>Jesus is always thankful to his Father; He knows that He has received everything from his Father, who is always on His mind.</p> <p>It is nice to see this thankful soul, who gives thanks even for a simple piece of bread.</p> <p>Breaking the bread is a sign of sacrifice. We use the expression “break in a thousand pieces”.</p>
	Jesus offers himself in communion <i>Jesus, who is the owner of Himself, allows to be sacrificed to save and be with us .</i> <i>Everything Jesus does is to be with us, “in communion” with us, to share life with us for ever. So Jesus thought about you, when he sacrificed himself; because He wanted to live within you.</i> <i>Imagine that you are given a little piece of that bread, who is Jesus... Imagine that while you eat it, you and Jesus become one.</i>	<p>Jesus saves us because He “stays” with us. The fact that God is (stays) with us changes our whole existence for ever.</p>

Colloquy

*Let's sit on the carpet, on the promised land, near Jesus, to hear him in the silence of our hearts.
Let's get into the little house of our heart and soul and feel Jesus who wants to become one with us through the Eucharist.*

