

# The Lord's Supper

*KJV 1 Corinthians 11:23 For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread:*

*24 And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.*

*25 After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.*

*26 For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.*

The Lord's Supper, Last Supper, Eucharist, or Holy Communion as some call it is the commemoration of the Last Supper Jesus had with His disciples.

**Supper is the last meal of the day, and was different from the other meals, breakfast may have been eaten on the go, lunch was typically eaten where a person was e.g. in the field or at work.**

**But supper was eaten at home after work was completed, it was a family meal where the entire family/household was present.**

**It's **not** called The Lord's Breakfast or lunch, but The Lord's Supper!**

The apostle Paul tells us in Corinthians whenever a believer takes Holy Communion, they are telling of The Lords death, resurrection and second coming in verse 26.

**The act of taking Holy Communion is the same a proclaiming The Gospel!**

**The Lord's Supper is a time of fellowship, celebration, and thanksgiving**

**Jesus called it **Passover!****

**Connecting it Passover in Egypt when every family, every household had a lamb they slaughtered, ate, and used its blood to escape death!**

**It has been said the Hebrews became a family and a nation on that first Passover, when they acted in unity applying The Blood of The Lamb.**

Jesus Himself **thanked** The Father before He broke, shared, and blessed the bread and wine!

Jesus thanked The Father for His **new** family!

It would be their **last meal** together, in fact Jesus said He wouldn't eat it again until The Kingdom fully manifests.

The last thing Paul said was, as **often** (**every time we do it**) we are **remembering** Christ Jesus, His life, death, burial & resurrection.

**Taking Holy Communion** is about remembering **everything** about The Lord Jesus Christ **holy mission** on earth and His future return in glory!

It's about **remembering** we are The Family of God, Jesus is The Head we are to honor until He turns everything over to The Father!(1 Cor 15:24)

**Do we have to do it on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday? No!**

**Do we have to use bread & wine? No!**

It is a **symbolic** gesture so what matters most is the spirit it's done in!

There are people and places where bread and wine are not readily available, so they use whatever they have, and God accepts them.

Again **Romans 14**, one man eats meat from a pure heart thanking God for it, another man eats **no meat** unto God, and he's accepted.

Who are we to judge another man's servant, it is God who's able to judge the sincerity of their heart!

The act of Celebrating Holy Communion connects The Family of God to the past (Melchizedek to Christ).

In **Gen 14:18-20** Melchizedek brought the bread and wine for communion with Abram and blessed Abram and blessed The Most High God who defeated Abrams enemies.

Abram understands his covenant with God got him the victory and he tithes to Melchizedek!

**Communion & tithing** started out together, they're acts of the covenant family!

Communion brings that into the present as often as we do it; and the future fulfillment and manifestation of The Kingdom in The Marriage Supper of The Lamb!

Taking communion reminds us of Christ and every believer in the past, present and future is our family!

It speaks of the universal nature of Christ and The Church!

**The Family of God is of every race, color and creed as at Passover:**

*Exodus 12:38 And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, even very much cattle.*

**It weren't just Jews that left Egypt, there were other people groups!**

Let's celebrate Christ by having The Family Supper!

Let's celebrate who He is and what He's done!

Let's remember the universal family of God, how His blood unites all people!

**Take our bread, wafer or cracker, along with our wine, juice or water and let's sanctify them by prayer!**

*Matthew 26:26 Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body."*

*27 And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you,*

*28 for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.*

*29 I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."*