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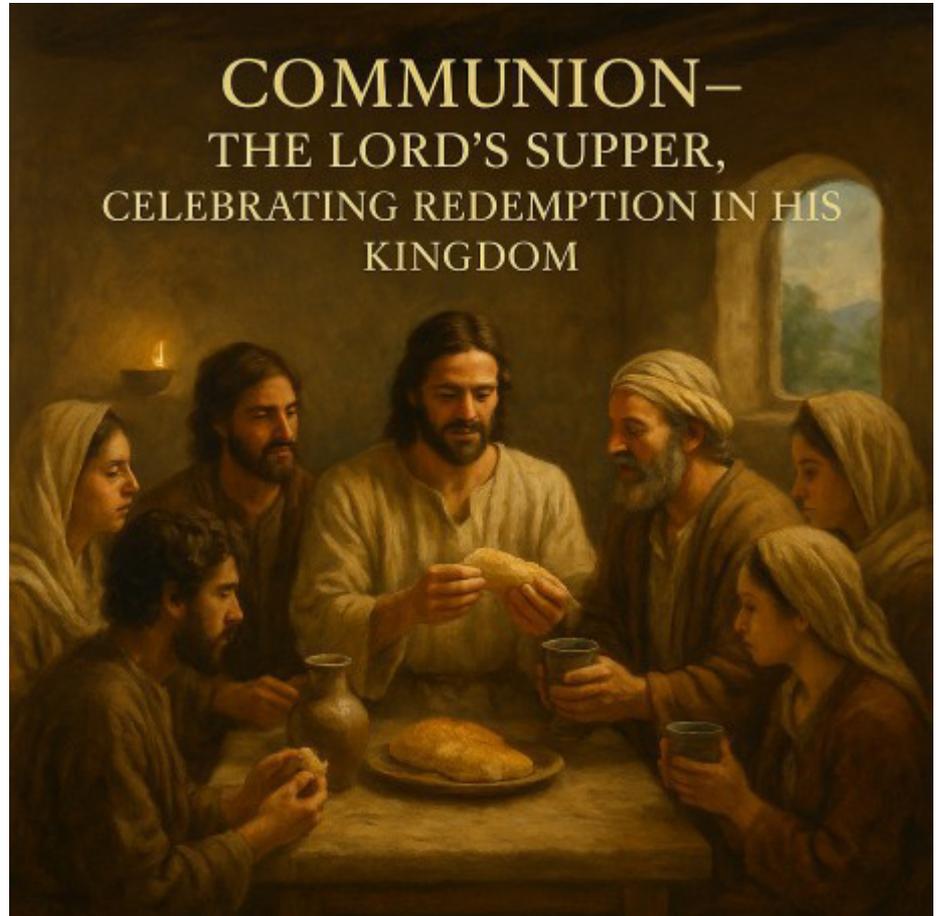
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Communion - The Lord's Supper, Celebrating Redemption in His Kingdom



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Luke 22:19-20

And when He had taken some bread and given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me. And in the same way He took the cup after they had eaten, saying, This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood.

† The Lord's Supper is more than a ritual, it's a celebration of redemption. Every time we partake, we're giving thanks for what Christ accomplished through His death, burial, and resurrection. It's thanksgiving, not mourning. It's remembrance, not repetition.

† The Lord's Supper will never cease to exist. While the elements were once physical, they now represent a spiritual communion with Christ in His eternal kingdom. To reject the Lord's Supper is to reject the very remembrance of His finished work.

† 1 Corinthians 11:26 says, For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. The first-century saints partook until His coming in judgment in AD 70, when the Old Covenant age passed away. But our spiritual communion continues forever, for we're always with the Lord (Matthew 26:29, John 14:23).

† In the early church, believers continued steadfastly in breaking bread and giving thanks (Acts 2:42, Acts 20:7). This wasn't a repetition of sacrifice, but a joyful meal of remembrance. Even under persecution, they gathered to celebrate redemption, as shown in early writings like Ignatius and Justin Martyr, who described the Supper as thanksgiving to God for the life found in Christ. What began in the upper room continued in homes and hearts, transforming from a shadowed ritual to a spiritual communion that endures in the kingdom today.

The Transition From The Old To The New Covenant

† Some claim the new covenant began at the death of Christ, quoting Luke 22:14-21 and Matthew 26:26-29. Spiritually, this was true, for Christ's blood was the sign of the new covenant. Yet physically, the Old Covenant system continued until the destruction of the Temple in AD 70.

† The Jews continued in the law, sacrifices, and temple worship, refusing to acknowledge that the true Lamb of God had fulfilled it all. They glorified their own works and rejected the One who gave them the Law. Even after the cross, they didn't repent but clung to their traditions.

† Hebrews 8:13 says, When He said, A new covenant, He's made the first obsolete. But whatever is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to disappear. If it had already vanished, Paul would've said so. It was ready to vanish, not yet gone, until God removed the entire temple system in AD 70.

† The cross marked the covenantal change in heaven, but AD 70 marked it on earth. Both covenants ran side by side for a time, until the physical symbols of the Old vanished forever.

† The prophets foresaw this covenant meal of redemption. Isaiah 25:6-9 speaks of the Lord preparing a banquet for all peoples, removing the shroud of death, and wiping away every tear. Jeremiah 31:31-34 foretold a new covenant not written on stone, but upon hearts. Zechariah 9:9-11 connects the coming King to a covenant sealed by blood, freeing captives from the pit. The Lord's Supper was the beginning of that fulfillment, marking the transition from shadow to substance.

Spiritual Communion Today

† Can we spiritually take communion today? Yes, we can and we must. For true communion isn't about physical bread or wine, but about our union with Christ. 1 Corinthians 10:16 says, Is not the cup of blessing which we bless a sharing in the blood of Christ? Is not the bread which we break a sharing in the body of Christ?

† The true communion is spiritual fellowship with Him. John 6:56 declares, He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him. Jesus wasn't speaking of literal flesh

and blood but of abiding in His life through faith.

† The physical symbols were shadows pointing to a greater reality. Today, every believer who gives thanks, remembers His sacrifice, and walks in His Spirit is participating in the true communion.

† Communion is now a continual state of fellowship, not a single act. We live in His presence, share in His kingdom, and celebrate His redemption daily.

† Jesus said in John 4:23-24, But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers. God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth. This shows that true worship and communion aren't bound to a physical place, but happen anywhere believers walk in His Spirit.

† Matthew 18:20 says, For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I'm there in their midst. The presence of Christ doesn't depend on a temple or building, but on faith and fellowship, even in a home or small gathering.

† Acts 2:46-47 records, Day by day continuing with one mind in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they were taking their meals together with gladness and sincerity of heart, praising God. This clearly shows that believers shared communion and fellowship in their homes.

† 1 John 1:3, 7 reminds us, Our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ... But if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. Communion is that fellowship, continual and spiritual, joined in His light wherever we are.

† Revelation 3:20 says, Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I'll come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me. That's a direct promise of spiritual communion, even in the believer's own home.

† Ephesians 3:17 says, So that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. His indwelling presence is the essence of communion.

† Romans 12:1 says, Present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. Under the New Covenant, our very lives are the communion offering, spiritual, continual, and holy.

† This ongoing communion is the reality of the Marriage Supper of the Lamb (Revelation 19:7-9). The Bride and the Lamb are united, and we feast continually in His presence. This isn't a future event, but the spiritual reality of the New Covenant Kingdom. Every act of thanksgiving, worship, and love among believers is participation in that eternal supper, where the Lamb reigns and His people dwell with Him.

† When we take communion at home, we're not separating from the body of Christ, but expressing it. The home becomes the sanctuary, the table becomes the altar of thanksgiving, and faith becomes the vessel. This honors the fulfilled covenant because it recognizes Christ's presence as dwelling within His people, not in temples made with hands. Wherever He's remembered and thanked, communion is alive and holy.

† When Jesus returned in 70 AD, The Lord's Supper was fulfilled in the forever covenant, a continuation of His remembrance. It's not in anticipation of salvation because we already have it. Now Jesus continues eating and drinking with us in communion.

† The Lord's Supper is a memorial, and we never turn away from a memorial. 1 Corinthians 11:24 says, He said "this do," not "forget about it when I return." His command to remember is eternal, and that remembrance now lives in spiritual communion with Him.

† Matthew 26:29 says, But I say to you, I'll not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom. That promise is fulfilled now. Christ drinks it new with us in His kingdom, in continual fellowship with His redeemed people. Every act of thanksgiving, every remembrance, every prayer of faith is the shared cup of the New Covenant made eternal.

Celebration, Not Ceremony

† The Lord's Supper is thanksgiving, not ritual obligation. It's the joyful recognition that redemption is complete, and that we're one body in Christ.

† We don't re-sacrifice Christ when we remember Him, we proclaim that His one sacrifice was sufficient. Hebrews 10:14 says, For by one offering He's perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

† The bread and the cup pointed forward to the kingdom, now, in His fulfilled kingdom, we partake spiritually by faith, giving thanks for His everlasting covenant.

† As we live in constant gratitude, fellowship, and unity, we're partaking in the essence of communion. Every prayer of thanksgiving, every act of love toward one another, every remembrance of His victory is part of that continual feast. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 reminds us, Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. Communion isn't a moment, it's a life of

continual thanksgiving in His kingdom.

† Every gathering of believers, whether in homes or in fellowship across the world, is a continuation of the Lord's Table. When we come together in His name, we join in the same communion He shared with His disciples, a table that never ends, in a kingdom that has no end. This is the living memorial of the fulfilled covenant, the fellowship of the redeemed, and the ongoing feast of the presence of Christ with His people forever.

Living Out Communion Daily

† To live out spiritual communion daily is to walk in gratitude, to love one another, to forgive freely, and to serve joyfully. When we live this way, every meal becomes sacred, every prayer becomes thanksgiving, and every act of love becomes a remembrance of the Lamb. Communion isn't only something we do, it's the way we live in His kingdom, continually celebrating the presence of Christ in and among us.

† This is the fulfilled perspective we proclaim at Fulfilled Prophecies †

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