

# The Lord's Supper

What is the Cup?



***OUR DAILY BREAD***

*Junior Edition*

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## **SOMETHING YOU MUST KNOW:**

God is perfect. He is Holy. We are all sinners. *For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.*

(Romans 3:23a KJB)

None of us could ever make ourselves perfect or holy to be accepted by God. But God loves us all so much, that He gave His only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to go to the cross and pay the penalty for our sins IN FULL, ONCE and FOR ALL. Jesus died and rose again. Because of the Lord Jesus Christ, God can now make us holy and acceptable to Himself. *For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit.* (1 Peter 3:18 KJB)

Jesus Christ is our ONLY WAY to God and heaven.

*Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.*

(John 14:6 KJB)

*Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved.* (Acts 16:31 KJB)

Without Jesus Christ, you can NEVER be accepted by God or go to heaven. When you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior, God makes you His child. When you leave this world, you will spend all of eternity with Him! *But as many as received him to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.* (John 1:12 KJB) While you are still here on earth, learn His beautiful Word. Believe it and obey it, so you can enjoy all God has done for you.

*Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom.*

(Colossians 3:16a KJB)

Do you love to REMEMBER THE LORD?  
What do we do when we REMEMBER someone?  
We THINK about them! We think about WHO they  
are. We think about WHAT they have done. We  
think about WHAT they mean to us. Read what the  
prophet Isaiah said about REMEMBERING the  
Lord:

"Yea (yes), in the way of thy judgments, O  
LORD, have we waited for thee; the desire of  
our soul is to the remembrance of thee.

With my soul have I desired thee in the night  
(in times of trouble); yea, with my spirit within me  
will I seek thee early:" Isaiah 26:8-9 KJB

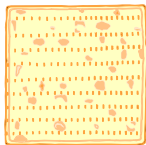
Isaiah LOVED to REMEMBER the Lord.  
Isaiah LOVED the Lord. Isaiah DESIRED to know  
what the Lord wanted for his life - especially when  
TROUBLES came his way! Do YOU love the  
Lord? Do YOU love to remember the Lord? Do  
YOU desire to know & do what the Lord wants more  
than anything else in this world? The Lord  
LOVES when we REMEMBER Him. The Lord  
LOVES when we LOVE Him. The Lord LOVES  
when we desire His will above all else in life.

One way that the Lord gave us to help us

REMEMBER HIM is

**The Lord's Supper.**

The Lord's Supper is a  
SPECIAL TIME to REMEMBER  
OUR LORD, JESUS CHRIST!



In many of our past Lord's Supper lessons, we've

learned that the BREAD or cracker that we eat & the JUICE or CUP that we drink at this special service are SYMBOLS that help us REMEMBER who Jesus Christ is & what He did for us by dying on the cross & then rising from the grave 3 days later.

When we understand what these SYMBOLS represent concerning the Lord Jesus Christ, we will realize that the BREAD & THE CUP help us to REMEMBER JESUS & APPRECIATE Him more than if He chose to leave a PICTURE of Himself for us to keep. And so, each month, we learn just a few more things about Jesus, His death on the cross, His resurrection & how these symbols represent Him & what He did for us! We hope that you STUDY GOD'S WORD DAILY. Only by learning & believing & obeying God's Word will we ever TRULY LOVE & APPRECIATE the Lord Jesus Christ with our whole being! And guess what! When we truly love & appreciate the Lord Jesus Christ with our whole being, we are obeying the greatest commandment of all! Read what Jesus said when someone asked him this question: Matthew 22:36-38 KJB



“Master, which *is* the greatest commandment in the law”

Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

This is the first and great commandment.”

In last month's Lord's Supper lesson, we learned one of the very important reasons why Jesus chose BREAD as one of the SYMBOLS to help us REMEMBER who He is & what He did for us on the cross. Of course, there is so much more to learn about the BREAD & we will in other Lord's Supper lesson. However, in today's lesson, we will SEARCH the SCRIPTURES to learn some very important FACTS about the CUP & what it represents. We will SEARCH the SCRIPTURES to learn how the CUP helps us to REMEMBER JESUS, our precious Lord & Savior. So let's begin by looking at what Jesus said about the CUP at the Last Supper as He was showing the apostles these SYMBOLS - the BREAD & THE CUP - to help them understand why He was going to be crucified on the cross as well as help them REMEMBER Him after He died & went back to heaven.



“And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave *it* to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.”

Matthew 26:28KJB

The first thing we see is that Jesus tells us that the CUP is a SYMBOL of HIS BLOOD. Why is this important? Let's SEARCH some more scriptures to find out. First let's read a very important FACT about BLOOD way back in the Old Testament

in the book of Leviticus in Leviticus 17:11 KJB.

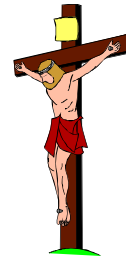


“For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh atonement for the soul..”

Although this scripture refers to the animal sacrifices that the Lord commanded the people of Israel to do, the Lord gave His people these sacrifices to teach them what Jesus would do for them & for the entire world many years later on the cross. There are so many facts that we could learn from that scripture, but today we will just talk about 2 of them. First of all we see that the Lord says that “the life of the flesh is in the blood”. God says that life is in the blood.

What does this tell us about Jesus? Jesus is God who came down from heaven. He took upon Himself a SINLESS HUMAN BODY. And in that SINLESS HUMAN BODY, Jesus shed His blood on the cross, to pay for the sins of this ENTIRE WORLD! And God says that the LIFE of our bodies - our flesh - is in the BLOOD! Therefore, the BLOOD that Jesus shed tells us this: **Jesus gave**

**His VERY LIFE on that cross,  
for you & for me - for all mankind!**



Read what Jesus told His disciples at the Last Supper about THE CUP:



“For this is my blood  
of  
the new testament,”

The cup that we drink from today helps us to REMEMBER that JESUS SHED HIS BLOOD on the cross to pay for ALL our sins. That cup helps us to REMEMBER that JESUS WILLINGLY GAVE HIS VERY LIFE for us on the cross to pay for ALL our sins. For as the Lord had Moses write in Leviticus 17:11, “For the life of the flesh /is in the blood.”

Now let’s re-read the last part of Leviticus 17:11 to learn another VERY IMPORTANT FACT about the SHED BLOOD of Jesus Christ.  
“...and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh atonement for the soul.”

This scripture tells us that the shed blood makes atonement for the soul.  
To understand what the blood of Jesus did for us, we need to know what “to MAKE ATONEMENT” means. To MAKE ATONEMENT means to PARDON, to FORGIVE, to TAKE AWAY.

While Jesus was on the cross, God poured out upon Him ALL His punishment for OUR sins.  
Jesus paid IN FULL, for the sins of the ENTIRE

WORLD. And now, because of Jesus' COMPLETE PAYMENT for the sins of the ENTIRE WORLD, our personal sins have been taken AWAY forever by the blood of Christ.



“Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.”

John 1:29 b KJB

Read 2Corinthians 5:19 & 21 too.

Mankind's personal sins NO LONGER stand in God's way of saving us! Jesus took them OUT of the way! God's Law said that only the SHED BLOOD of a PERFECT person is the payment for sin as we saw in Leviticus 17:11. In fact, God said that WITHOUT the shedding of BLOOD, there can be NO taking away of sin! Read Hebrews 9:22 KJB.

But THANK GOD that Because of Jesus Christ's SHED BLOOD on the cross, the sins of the entire world have been paid for FOREVER! Even the sins of people who will NEVER believe in Jesus! Because of Jesus' shed blood on the cross, their personal sins are NOT what will keep them out of heaven. Their personal sins are NOT what will send them to the Lake of Fire. The ONLY reason a person ends up in the Lake of Fire is this:

“... because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.” John 3:18b

Oh how very much Jesus loves us to have given His very life for us all - even for those who will



never believe in Him! Oh how very PRECIOUS is the BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST!



When you drink the cup today,  
**REMEMBER THE BLOOD OF JESUS!**  
Remember that His BLOOD is HIS LIFE  
that He gave on the cross for YOU!

Remember that His BLOOD took away YOUR sins -  
the sins of the ENTIRE WORLD! THAT is why  
God says that JESUS is our ONLY WAY to God &  
heaven. Jesus is our ONLY WAY to RECEIVE  
God's forgiveness & be SAVED from the Lake of  
Fire! Read Acts 10:43 and Acts 16:31 KJB.

## BIBLE STUDY NOTES

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also another thing we can do that helps us  
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out by reading what Jesus Himself & His disciples  
did after they ATE THE BREAD & DRANK THE  
CUP!

"And when they had sung an  
hymn, they went out into the mount of  
Olives."



Matthew 26:30 KJB

Now read Colossians 3:16 KJB

# GRACE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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## Sunday Morning Service

10:00 A.M.

Sunday Transportation Service ~ Call 24 hours Prior

## Weekly Services

Wednesday & Friday Evenings, 7:30 P.M.

## Prayer Meeting

Wednesday & Friday Evenings, 7:00-7:20 P.M.

## Communion Service

First Sunday of Every Month

## Children's Prep School (Ages 5-14) & Mother's Room

Available for Every Service

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info@gracecfellowship.org

## Directions

### From I-95

- RI Exit #22; *Left* at split to **Rt. 6 W.**
- Take Killingly St (Rt. 128) Exit; *Right* off Exit.
- Take Killingly to end; *Right* on Manton Ave; cross bridge.
- Turn *Left* at light (CVS on corner), and then bear *Left* at the split. You are now on Woonasquatucket Ave.
- Go about 1 mi.
- **G.C.F.** is on the *Left*.

### From Rt. 146

- Mineral Spring Ave Exit in Providence.
- From **146 N** turn *Left* off Exit; from **146 S** turn *Right*.
- Take Mineral Spring to end and stay *Left* around the rotary (pass North Providence Town Hall).
- Take next *Right* onto Woonasquatucket Ave.
- Go about 1½ mi.
- **G.C.F.** is on the *Right*.



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