

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Jesus Tasted Death
For
Every Man



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)

When you
EAT THE BREAD
&
DRINK THE CUP,



do you know what you are doing?
2Cor 11:26 tells us what we are
doing:

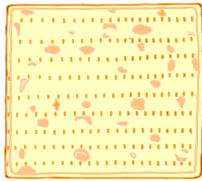
"For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink
this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till
he come."

That word SHEW is simply the OLD English word
for SHOW! So every time we eat the bread & drink
the cup we are SHOWING or PROCLAIMING
something. What are we SHOWING or PRO-
CLAIMING? The Lord's death until He comes!

Jesus' death on the cross was the most important
event in all of history. We would ALL be in LOTS
OF TROUBLE if Jesus did not come down from
heaven & become a man & then die on the cross for
us. NONE of us would EVER be able to know
God & NONE of us would be able to go to heaven if
Jesus did not die on the cross & then rise up out of
His grave. As Jesus Himself said in John 14:6 KJB:
"...I am the way, the truth, and the life: no
man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

Jesus Christ is our ONLY way to God. He made that
WAY by His DEATH on the CROSS & RESUR-
RECTION from the GRAVE!

By EATING the BREAD & DRINKING the CUP, how are we SHOWING or PROCLAIMING Jesus' DEATH? Well, as we have learned in the past Lord's Supper lessons, Jesus gave us the BREAD & the CUP to use as SYMBOLS to represent HIM & His SACRIFICE on the cross to pay for our sins.



The BREAD represents the pure, perfect, sinless & holy HUMAN BODY of Jesus which was nailed to the cross for us as our substitute.

The CUP represents His BLOOD which He shed to pay for our sins. As we eat the bread & drink the cup, we SHOW or PROCLAIM that Jesus' death paid the price for our sins.



Jesus took our place upon the cross. As a man, Jesus NEVER SINNED; yet He WILLINGLY died for ALL SINNERS - which is the ENTIRE HUMAN RACE!

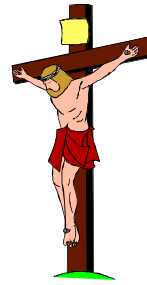
2Cor 15:4 says this: "For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures;

And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures."

John 19:30 tells us that Jesus FINISHED the PAYMENT for our sins COMPLETELY & FOREVER!

In fact Jesus said this HIMSELF before He died!

“When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.”



It is IMPORTANT that you understand that when Jesus said He DIED to pay for our sins, He was NOT speaking of His PHYSICAL DEATH! Jesus FINISHED the payment for our sins BEFORE He died physically! The DEATH Jesus suffered for our sins was SPIRITUAL DEATH. What is SPIRITUAL DEATH? It is being TOTALLY SPEPARATED FROM THE LOVE & PRESENCE OF GOD - totally forsaken by God! Spiritual death is SUFFERING THE WRATH OF GOD! We have NO IDEA how BAD that is! It is SO BAD & PAINFUL that while Jesus suffered that DEATH for us, God put the land in DARKNESS so that no one could SEE Jesus suffering that spiritual death for us. For 3 whole hours, God poured out His wrath upon Jesus - the wrath that should have been poured out upon us for our sins! In fact, SPIRITUAL DEATH is SO BAD, it is the ONLY TIME that Jesus cried out in agony:

“And when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.

And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud

voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabacthani?
which is, being interpreted, My God, my God,
why hast thou forsaken me?" Mark 15:33-34 KJB

When Jesus cried out those Words, He told us what
the payment for sin was - the awful pain of being
TOTALLY SEPARATED FROM GOD - GOD'S
WRATH Poured OUT UPON HIM!

Isaiah 53 & Psalm 22 tell us some of what
Jesus suffered as He paid for our sins. It was gruesome! But
He did it for YOU & for ME because He LOVES US & wants
all men to be SAVED from God's wrath! 1Timothy 2:3-8KJB

Now let's carefully read what Jesus told us to
do to in 1Corinthians 11:24-26 KJB to SHEW His
DEATH until He comes:

"and when he (Jesus) 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."



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

Notice the underlined words: eat & drink.
Now think about this: Anytime we EAT & DRINK,
we are TASTING whatever it is that we are EATING
& DRINKING. What does it mean to TASTE?

Of course, when we think of the word TASTE, we
usually think of the “flavor of something” that we
experience when the food or drink goes into our
mouth. But TASTING can apply to other things as
well. One meaning of the word TASTE is this:

*“to experience something, especially for the
first time or only briefly.”*

Now read Hebrews 12:9 which tells us WHY Jesus
left His throne in heaven to take upon Himself a hu-
man body like ours in every way yet without sin:

“But we see Jesus, who was made a little
lower than the angels (Human beings were created by
God as a class of creatures lower than angels. See 2Peter 2:11.
Jesus took upon Himself the form of a human being when He
came to earth to go to the cross.) for the suffering of
death, crowned with glory and honour; that he
(Jesus) by the grace of God should



taste death for every man.”

On the cross, Jesus TASTED DEATH
for EVERY MAN! Was it PHYSICAL
DEATH that Jesus TASTED or EX-
PERIENCED for every man? **NO!**

As we have learned, it was NOT! If Jesus had died PHYSICALLY for every man, NO ONE who believed in Him would ever die physically. And as we certainly do see, people do still die physically.

So it was not physical death, but, as we have learned today, it was SPIRITUAL DEATH which Jesus TASTED or EXPERIENCED for EVERY MAN! For 3 long gruesome hours while Jesus hung on the cross, God poured out His full WRATH upon Jesus for the sins of the ENTIRE WORLD! For 3 long gruesome dark hours, Jesus suffered what should have been OUR punishment for sins!

“For he hath made him *to be* sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.” 2Corinthians 5:21 KJB

And so, as you EAT the BREAD & DRINK the cup today - as you TASTE or EXPERIENCE these elements which represent the BODY of Jesus & the BLOOD of Jesus on the cross, you are SHEWING or PROCLAIMING the DEATH of Jesus which He



TASTED FOR EVERY MAN

so that all who simply believe in Him will NEVER TASTE or EXPERIENCE that awful & gruesome SPIRITUAL DEATH!

Even though we die physically, if we have simply be-

lieved in Jesus as our Savior while we lived on earth, we will NEVER “taste or experience” spiritual death! John 11:25-26 KJB is Jesus’ PROMISE about that. And Jesus is GOD!

He CANNOT LIE!



“Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me though he were dead (physical death) yet shall he live.”

And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die (spiritual death). Believeest thou this?”

So every time you TASTE the bread & the cup, remember this:

Jesus TASTED DEATH FOR YOU!

BIBLE CHALLENGE

Read Psalm 34:8: “O taste and see that the LORD *is* good: blessed *is* the man *that* trusteth in him.”

Also read 2Peter 2:1-3.

Write down what you think the Lord is telling us to do in these scriptures.

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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.

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First Sunday of Every Month

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

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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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