

COMMUNION: ONE BREAD

THE COMMUNION OF THE BODY OF CHRIST

“For we being many are one bread, and one body:
for we are all partakers of that one bread.”

- 1 Corinthians 10:17

1. Jesus' Message to Broken Israel

- a. “sent to the lost sheep of Israel” - Mat 10:6, Mat 15:26
- b. Salvation is of the Jews – John 4:22; Isa 62:1
- c. Israel was divided – 2 Chron 10:19; Ezekiel 37:15-16
- d. I will make a new covenant with... Heb 8:8
- e. Jesus' body was broken for them - Luke 22:19, Heb 9:15

2. Jewish Pentecost and the Two Loaves

- a. The Jewish Pentecostal feast – Lev 23:15-17
- b. Two wave loaves at Pentecost - Lev 23:17
- c. Two wave loaves = Jews and Gentiles?
- d. No, Pentecost did not unite Jew and Gentile – Acts 2:39
 - i. “far off” – Ezekiel 11:16

3. Peter's Pentecost and the Tribes

- a. 40 days until his ascension - Acts 1:2-3
- b. “not many days hence” – Acts 1:5-8
 - i. “beginning in Jerusalem” – Luke 24:47
- c. Pentecost: they waved the two loaves – Acts 2:1
- d. His audience: Judah– Acts 2:14
 - i. And Israel... Acts 2:22
 - ii. “all the house” – Acts 2:36
 - iii. Children of the prophets – Acts 3:24-26
- e. “It is unlawful...” – Acts 10:28
- f. “To the Jews only” - Acts 11:19

4. One Bread and One Body

- a. One bread - 1 Cor 10:16-17
- b. “no difference” - Rom 3:22
- c. Counted them all in unbelief... Rom 11:32
- d. You were without Christ, but now... Eph 2:11-13
- e. “made both one”, “of twain one new man” – Eph 2:14-18
- f. Mystery: Gentiles of the same body - Eph 3:6, 2 Cor 5:17, Col 1:27
 - i. One flesh; members of his body - Eph 5:29-32
- g. No more schoolmaster; one in Christ – Gal 3:25-28

5. Our Communion

- a. It is not Jewish Passover – “for many” – Mat 26:28
- b. It is not the Mass – eating the bread for remission of sins
- c. It is communion of the body of Christ – 1 Cor 12:12-13