

# WHAT IS THE LORD'S SUPPER?



THE STORY OF REMEMBRANCE AND WHAT  
CHRIST HAS DONE FOR US

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The Lord's Supper, also known as communion, is a way for people who believe in Jesus to remember what He did for us; His body broken, His blood shed. It is also a time for people who believe in Jesus to think about our forever future with Him in heaven.

### FIRST, LET'S GO BACK TO THE BEGINNING...

The book of Exodus tells us about the Passover. God promised to save His people from the bondage of Pharaoh. God sent Moses to the Egyptian king with the command that Pharaoh "let My people go." When Pharaoh refused, God brought ten plagues on the land of Egypt. The tenth and worst of the plagues was the death of all the firstborn sons in Egypt.

The night of the first Passover was the night of the tenth plague. On that fateful night, God told the Israelites to sacrifice a spotless lamb and mark the doorposts of their homes with its blood. Then, when the Lord passed through Egypt, He would "pass over" the households that showed the blood. In a very real way, the blood of the lamb saved the Israelites from death.

The Israelites were saved from the plague, and their firstborn children stayed alive. This ultimately made Pharaoh "let God's people go." God told His people to celebrate Passover each year in remembrance of what He did to save them.



Want to know more about the Passover?  
Take some time to read through Exodus 12.

Why is this event that happened long ago so important? As we look to the Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke & John), we see that Jesus celebrated Passover. This is known as “the Last Supper” because it would be the last Passover meal Jesus shared with His disciples. Not only did Jesus celebrate the Passover, He fulfilled it!

**JESUS CELEBRATING THE LAST SUPPER WAS A TURNING  
POINT FOR GOD’S PLAN FOR THE WORLD.**

### **THE LAST SUPPER**

(Luke 22:7-20)

On the night Jesus was betrayed, He celebrated the Passover meal with His disciples. As they were eating, He blessed the bread and broke it and gave it to them. He said, “This is my body, which is given for you, do this in remembrance of me.” Then he took the cup and said, “This is the new covenant (or promise) in my blood; drink this in remembrance of me.” What was Jesus talking about here?

*Remember how God used the blood of the Passover lamb to save the Israelites?*

With the Last Supper, Jesus was proclaiming that He is the Lamb of God (John 1:29), and His blood on the cross would save God’s people now. This is why as believers we partake in the Lord’s Supper. By eating the broken bread and drinking the juice we remember Jesus’ broken body and His blood that was spilled for our sins.

## **THE LORD'S SUPPER**

(1 Corinthians 11:23-25)

All believers are encouraged to partake in the Lord's Supper. It can be done differently from church to church.

### **THIS IS WHAT THE LORD'S SUPPER LOOKS LIKE AT CLCC:**

#### **WHO:**

Anyone who knows Jesus as the Lord & Savior of their life is invited to participate in the Lord's Supper.

#### **WHAT:**

As the elements of communion (bread & juice) are passed around, take one of each and wait for instructions. Take this time to pray and thank God.

#### **WHEN:**

We eat the bread and drink the juice when the Pastor leads us in the Lord's Supper together during the service.

#### **WHY:**

We regularly celebrate the Lord's Supper together because we love Jesus and want to remember all He has done on our behalf.

### **PARENT NOTE:**

Parents, as your child begins partaking in the Lord's Supper on the first Sunday of each month, go over the four points above with him or her. Ask your child what the Lord's Supper is, what it means, and why we do it. Pray with them, thanking God for all He has done and will do. This helps reiterate the importance of the Lord's Supper.



## **RESOURCES FOR PARENTS**

Have further questions? Reach out to one of our staff members at any time. We would be happy to talk through this exciting celebration with you!

For more resources on being the primary disciplers of your home, scan the QR code to check out our **Parenting Pathway!**





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