

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT ...

Communion - The Lord's Supper



	Comment	Scripture
Communion	The first priest in the Bible, namely Melchizedek, blessed Abram by using bread and wine.	<i>And Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. (He was priest of THEOS the Most High.) [IESOUS in comparison is our High Priest] And he blessed him and said, “Blessed be Abram by THEOS the Most High, who created heaven and earth; and blessed be THEOS the MOST HIGH, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!”</i> <i>Gen 14:17-20</i>
	IESOUS Himself showed us how to take communion and how to remember Him.	<i>Now while they were eating IESOUS took bread and, after giving thanks, He broke it, and giving it to the disciples, He said, “Take, eat, this is my body.” And after taking the cup and giving thanks He gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. But I tell you, from now on I will never drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in the Kingdom of my FATHER.”</i> <i>Mat 26:26-29</i>
		<i>And He took bread, and after giving 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.”</i> <i>Luk 22:19</i>
	The early church followed CHRISTOS' teaching.	<i>And they were devoting themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayers. [...] And every day, devoting themselves to meeting with one purpose in the temple courts and breaking bread from house to house, they were eating their food with joy and simplicity of heart ...</i> <i>Act 2:42-46</i>
	Paul taught it to be a custom for the New Covenant.	<i>And on the first day of the week, when we had assembled to break bread ...</i> <i>Act 20:7</i>
		<i>For I received from KYRIOS what I also passed on to you, that the KYRIOS IESOUS, on the night in which He was betrayed, took bread, and giving thanks, He broke it, and said:</i> <i>Take it, eat! This is my body, being broken for you. Do this to the remembrance of me.</i> <i>Likewise also the cup after eating, saying:</i> <i>"This cup is the new covenant in my blood."</i> <i>Do this as often as you may drink it to the remembrance of me.</i> <i>For as often as you may eat this bread, and may drink this cup, you proclaim the death of KYRIOS, until whenever He may come.</i> <i>1Cor 11:23-26</i>
	Communion is even a requirement for entering the eternal Kingdom of THEOS.	<i>... unless you eat the flesh of the SON of Man and drink His blood, you do not have life in yourselves! The one who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. [...] The one who eats my flesh and drinks my blood resides in me and I in him.</i> <i>Joh 6:53-56</i>
	We should examine ourselves for any unconfessed sin and take communion with due reverence and respect.	<i>So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of KYRIOS in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and the blood of KYRIOS. But let a person examine himself, and in this way let him eat from the bread and let him drink from the cup. For the one who eats and drinks, if he does not recognize the body, eats and drinks judgment against himself. Because of this, many are weak and sick among you, and quite a few have died. But if we were evaluating ourselves, we would not be judged. But if we are judged by KYRIOS, we are being disciplined, in order that we will not be condemned with the world.</i> <i>1Cor 11:27-32</i>
		<i>[Old covenant example – good for seeing the principle of cleanliness] For there were many in the assembly who had not consecrated themselves [which would equate today to wash and anoint oneself before attending a church]. Therefore the Levites had to slaughter the Passover lamb for everyone who was not clean, to consecrate it to KYRIOS. For a majority of the people, many of them from Ephraim, Manasseh, Issachar, and Zebulun, had not cleansed themselves, yet they ate the Passover otherwise than as prescribed. For Hezekiah had prayed for them, saying, “May the good KYRIOS pardon everyone who sets his heart to seek THEOS, the KYRIOS, the THEOS of his fathers, even though not according to the sanctuary’s rules of cleanliness.” And KYRIOS heard Hezekiah and healed the people.</i> <i>2Chr 30:17-20</i>
	We should not allow unbelievers to partake in communion !	<i>The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of CHRISTOS? The bread which we break, is it not a participation in the body of CHRISTOS? [...] You are not able to drink the cup of KYRIOS and the cup of demons. You are not able to share the table of KYRIOS and the table of demons.</i> <i>1Cor 10:16-21</i>

