

COMMUNION, TOGETHERNESS IN JESUS

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HEIGHTS WORSHIP CENTER

1. Exodus & Passover Meal: NATIONAL UNITY
2. Jesus with the Disciples: LEADERSHIP UNITY
3. The Church: CHURCH UNITY

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COMMUNION: A NATIONAL UNITY

Exodus 12:11-13 NLT “📌 These are your instructions for eating this meal: Be fully dressed, wear your sandals, and carry your walking stick in your hand. Eat the meal with urgency, for this is the Lord’s Passover. On that night I will pass through the land of Egypt and 📌 strike down every firstborn son and firstborn male animal in the land of Egypt. I will execute judgment against all the gods of Egypt, for I am the Lord! 📌 But the blood on your doorposts will serve as a sign, marking the houses where you are staying. When I see the blood, I will pass over you. This plague of death will not touch you when I strike the land of Egypt.”

- Instruction
- Infliction
- Indestructible
- Institution

Exodus 12:24-27 NLT “Remember, these instructions are a 📌 permanent law that you and your descendants must observe forever. When you enter the land the Lord has promised to give you, you will continue to observe this ceremony. Then your children will ask, ‘What does this ceremony mean?’ And you will reply, ‘It is the Passover sacrifice to the Lord, for he passed over the houses of the Israelites in Egypt. And though he struck the Egyptians, he spared our families.’” When Moses had finished speaking, all the people bowed down to the ground and worshiped.”

COMMUNION: A LEADERSHIP UNITY

Luke 22:14-20 NLT “When the time came, 📌 Jesus and the apostles sat down together at the table. Jesus said, ‘I have been very eager to eat this 📌 Passover meal with you before my suffering begins. For I tell you now that I won’t eat this meal again until its meaning is fulfilled in the Kingdom of God.’” Then he took a cup of wine and gave thanks to God for it. 📌 Then he said, “Take this and share it among yourselves. For I will not drink wine again until the Kingdom of God has come.” He took some bread and gave thanks to God for it. Then he broke it in pieces and gave it to the disciples, saying, 📌 “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” After supper he 📌 took another cup of wine and said, “This cup is the new covenant between God and his people—an agreement confirmed with my blood, which is poured out as a sacrifice for you.”

- Fellowship
- Final Meal
- Forge the bond
- Faithfully Remembering
- Formation of the Covenant

COMMUNION: CHURCH UNITY

1 Corinthians 11:23-32 NLT 📌 “For I pass on to you what I received from the Lord himself. On the night when he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread and gave thanks to God for it. Then he broke it in pieces and said, “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way, he took the cup of wine after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant between God and his people—an agreement confirmed with my blood. Do this in remembrance of me as often as you drink it.” 📌 For every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are announcing the Lord’s death until he comes again. So anyone who eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord unworthily is guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. That is why you 📌 should examine yourself before eating the bread and drinking the cup. For if you 📌 eat the bread or drink the cup without honoring the body of Christ, you are eating and drinking God’s judgment upon yourself. That is why many of you are weak and sick and some have even died. But if we would examine ourselves, we would not be judged by God in this way. Yet when we are judged by the Lord, we are being disciplined so that we will not be condemned along with the world.”

- Connection from Headship to The Body
- Communicating togetherness
- Concerns
- Conversion to a personal relationship with Christ