

# **“Breaking Bread”**

Ivor Lewis on Saturday evening, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Theme: Partake of Communion often.

Text: Matthew 26:26-30

Here's a thought: The life of Christ is released through Communion. We can receive an impartation when we eat of the bread and drink of the cup.

I encourage you to have Communion regularly, as we do here.

Matthew 26:26-30:

26 While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body.” 27 Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you. 28 This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. 29 I tell you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it anew with you in my Father's kingdom.” 30 When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. NIV

While they were eating ...

Acts 20:7 - On the first day of the week we came together to break bread.

Acts 2:46 - They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts.

We are to have Communion often.

Jesus took the bread and the cup.

John 6 - Jesus tells the crowd with no context that they must eat His flesh and drink His blood.

Jesus' first miracle was to turn water into wine (physically) and His last miracle before going to the cross was to turn wine into blood (spiritually).

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1 Corinthians 11 - we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

The Greek word translated as “proclaim” can include “partake”.

John 6:53 - unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood you have no life in you.

We can get weak physically and spiritually if we do not eat.

John 6:56 - eat and keep on eating and drink and keep on drinking

John 15:5 - if a man abides or remains in me, he will bear much fruit.

John 6:57 - the one who feeds on me will live because of me.

Acts 2:42 - they devoted themselves to the word, to prayer, to fellowship and to breaking bread.

We need to devote ourselves to Communion.

Isaiah 53:4-6 - Surely He took our infirmities and our sorrows (anguish and pain).

“Surely” refers to supreme confidence. We can’t doubt this.

Psalms 103 - Don’t forget

1 Peter 2:24 - He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

Matthew 8:17 - This was to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet Isaiah: “He took up our infirmities and carried our diseases.”

He took up our weaknesses and sicknesses.

The nutrients we digest in food go to every part of our bodies.

Picture Christ’s broken body and His blood going to every part of us.

Depression, addictions, sickness, grief, anguish, weakness have all been borne on the cross with Jesus.

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