

Bread and Wine

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In this meeting we examine the significance of bread and wine in scripture.

SCRIPTURE VERSES

BREAD

[Luke 11:3](#) The Lord's Prayer

Give us each day our daily bread

[Matthew 14:19](#) Feeding the Five Thousand

Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds.

[Matthew 4:4](#) The Commandment

But he answered, "It is written, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

[John 6:32-35](#) The True Bread

Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.

WINE

[John 2:1-11](#) The Wedding Feast

On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ..

[1 Timothy 5:23](#) Medicinal

(No longer drink only water, but use a little wine for the sake of your stomach and your frequent ailments.)

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[Luke 10:34](#) The Good Samaritan

He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him.

[Luke 5:37](#) New Wine

And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. If he does, the new wine will burst the skins and it will be spilled, and the skins will be destroyed.

[Matthew 26:27-29](#) Blood of the Covenant

And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

DISCUSSION THOUGHTS:

There are more than 200 references to bread and 120 references to wine throughout the bible and of course bread and wine are the physical components of the Lords supper.

1. Other than our scripture readings what other significant references are made to bread and/or wine
 - in the Old Testament?
 - in the New Testament?
2. How the words bread and wine used in the Bible?
3. What effects do bread and wine have? Benefits/Pitfalls
4. Jesus said "Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you"
 - What did He mean by this?
5. What is the significance of eating the bread and drinking the wine at communion?