

Foundation Building Blocks

FBB1-5-4-03 Christian Communion – The New Testament in the Blood of Christ – The Cup

The cup that that Jesus refers to in His prayer in the garden of Gethsemane was the lot and fate of the Messiah, the ultimate Passover sacrifice.

Matthew 26:39-42 And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, **let this cup pass from me**: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt. 40 And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter, What, could ye not watch with me one hour? 41 Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak. 42 He went away again the second time, and prayed, saying, O my Father, **if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it**, thy will be done.

John 18:10-11 Then Simon Peter having a sword drew it, and smote the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus. 11 Then said Jesus unto Peter, Put up thy sword into the sheath: **the cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it?**

Matthew 20:20-23 Then came to him the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons, worshipping *him*, and desiring a certain thing of him. 21 And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, **in thy kingdom**. 22 But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. **Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of**, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able. 23 And he saith unto them, **Ye shall drink indeed of my cup**, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but *it shall be given to them* for whom it is prepared of my Father.

Matthew 16:24-28 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, **If any man will come after me**, let him deny himself, and take up **his cross**, and follow me. 25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake **shall find it**. 26 For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? 27 For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works. 28 Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.

To memorialize the cup of Christ a person should not only appreciate what Christ did for all mankind but should also take into consideration being faithful to their own personal cross that they must bear. There will be parts of their lives that will be broken and there will be some hemorrhaging, all in a living testimony of Christ within them personally. There will be those that will behold a person's testimony and be brought to the remission of their sins because of its effectiveness.



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Matthew 26:26-28 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed *it*, and brake *it*, and gave *it* to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. 27 And he took **the cup, and gave thanks, and gave *it* to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;** 28 For **this is my blood of the new testament**, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.



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Question 1

As described in Matthew 26:39-42, Jesus taught us that...

We will be tempted of God.

The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.

We must continually watch and pray.

We commune with Jesus when we drink from the cup.

Multiple choice (Multiple answers)

Question 2

As described in Matthew 20:20-23, when we partake of the cup, we must be obedient to Jesus.

True

False

True/False

Question 3

As described in Matthew 16:24-28, when we commune with Jesus, we will also...

Take up our cross.

Have good works.

Cherish worldly possessions.

Deny ourselves.

Multiple choice (Multiple answers)

Question 4

As described in Matthew 26:26-28, the cup in communion is Jesus blood of the new testament.

True

False

True/False