

'Harvest Time' Sermon Series

# DO NOT DELAY



Mount Zion Church  
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INTRO:

Jesus said several times: "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few." *Mat.9:37-38, Luk.10:2*

The time to harvest is NOW. Let us give a good response and not delay for the harvest.

Proverbs said: "He who gathers in summer is a wise son; He who sleeps in harvest is a son who causes shame."  
*Pro.10:5.*

Let's together be ready for the harvest time and do not delay.

We are going to learn from John chapter 4. Jesus showed us that it is so simple and so natural for believers to be a blessing for others and collect the harvest.

## **MATIUS 9**

**37** Maka kata-Nya kepada murid-murid-Nya: "Tuaian

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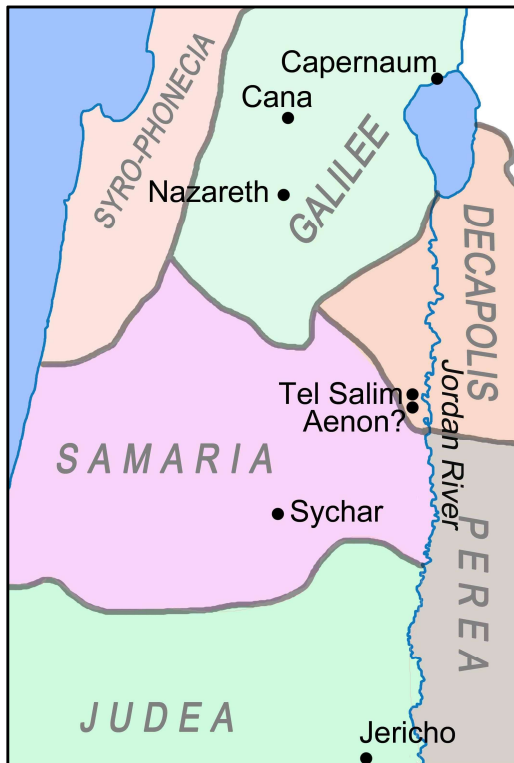
**38** Karena itu mintalah kepada tuan yang empunya tuaian, supaya ia mengirimkan pekerja-pekerja untuk tuaian itu."

### **LUKAS 10**

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### **AMSAL 10**

**5** Siapa mengumpulkan pada musim panas, ia berakal budi; siapa tidur pada waktu panen membuat malu.



## Blessing in Disguise!



### JOHN 4

<sup>3</sup> Jesus left Judea and departed again to Galilee. <sup>4</sup> But He needed to go through Samaria.

<sup>5</sup> So He came to a city of Samaria which is called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup> Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from His journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour.

**Keyword:** The readiness to harvest will bring believers to experience blessing in disguise. Harvest is not merely a project, instead it is a **life style!**

John chapter 4 is about the big revival in Samaria. But actually Samaria **was not the destination** of the journey of Jesus and his disciples. It is just a **stopover** (a break in a journey).

Again, the harvest is truly plenty, it is **everywhere!** And the time of harvest is already commenced!

The revival in Samaria was not actually expected and was not planned beforehand. Jesus always focus for the children of Israel first. Even up to the day of Ascension, Jesus still said that they must witness first in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and then to the end of the earth Ac.1:8.

But then what happened in the city of Samaria at that moment was an evidence that truly the harvest is always plentiful!

Even, also at that moment Jesus and the disciples were in **break time**. Jesus was being wearied from His journey, and the disciples were not there because they must find some food to buy.

#### **YOHANES 4**

**3** Iapun meninggalkan Yudea dan kembali lagi ke Galilea.

**4** Ia harus melintasi daerah Samaria.

**5** Maka sampailah Ia ke sebuah kota di Samaria, yang bernama Sikhar dekat tanah yang diberikan Yakub dahulu kepada anaknya, Yusuf.

**6** Di situ terdapat sumur Yakub. Yesus sangat letih oleh perjalanan, karena itu Ia duduk di pinggir sumur itu. Hari kira-kira pukul dua belas.

# “Give Me a drink.”

## JOHN 4

<sup>7</sup> A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, **“Give Me a drink.”** <sup>8</sup> For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.

<sup>9</sup> Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, “How is it that You, ***being a Jew***, ask a drink from me, ***a Samaritan woman?***” For Jews have **no dealings** with Samaritans.



“Give me a drink” was a very short sentence with a huge impact!

## Overcome The Barrier & Start to Speak Something

1. Ego barrier: open up your condition, no need to hide your situation, and also a readiness to be rejected
2. Gender barrier *1Tim.5:1-2*
3. Culture / tradition barrier, no racism, no discriminations
4. Language barrier

So that we can be a blessing to other people, **we must speak in their language** so that other can understand. Otherwise, they will never be able to understand!

## 1Corinthians 14

<sup>18</sup> I thank my God I speak with tongues more than you all; <sup>19</sup> yet **in the church** I would rather **speak five words**

with my understanding, that I may teach others also, than ten thousand words in a tongue.

#### **YOHANES 4**

**7** Maka datanglah seorang perempuan Samaria hendak menimba air. Kata Yesus kepadanya: "Berilah Aku minum."

**8** Sebab murid-murid-Nya telah pergi ke kota membeli makanan.

**9** Maka kata perempuan Samaria itu kepada-Nya: "Masakan Engkau, seorang Yahudi, minta minum kepadaku, seorang Samaria?" (Sebab orang Yahudi tidak bergaul dengan orang Samaria.)

#### **1KORINTUS 14**

**18** Aku mengucapkan syukur kepada Allah, bahwa aku berkata-kata dengan bahasa roh lebih dari pada kamu semua.

**19** Tetapi dalam pertemuan Jemaat aku lebih suka mengucapkan lima kata yang dapat dimengerti untuk mengajar orang lain juga, dari pada beribu-ribu kata dengan bahasa roh.





## The Power to Continue

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<sup>11</sup> The woman said to Him, “Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water?”

<sup>12</sup> Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?”

<sup>13</sup> Jesus answered and said to her, “Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again,

<sup>14</sup> but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life.”

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**11** Kata perempuan itu kepada-Nya: "Tuhan, Engkau tidak punya timba dan sumur ini amat dalam; dari manakah Engkau memperoleh air hidup itu?

**12** Adakah Engkau lebih besar dari pada bapa kami Yakub, yang memberikan sumur ini kepada kami dan yang telah minum sendiri dari dalamnya, ia serta anak-anaknya dan ternaknya?"

**13** Jawab Yesus kepadanya: "Barangsiapa minum air ini, ia akan haus lagi,

**14** tetapi barangsiapa minum air yang akan Kuberikan kepadanya, ia tidak akan haus untuk selama-lamanya. Sebaliknya air yang akan Kuberikan kepadanya, akan menjadi mata air di dalam dirinya, yang terus-menerus memancar sampai kepada hidup yang kekal."

## The Turning Point

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### JOHN 4

<sup>15</sup> The woman said to Him, "Sir, **give me this water**, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw."



### The Turning Point

We never know when is the turning point of someone come to Jesus.

***Illust:** the ministry of Jim Yost (the American man with an Indonesian heart).*

In the case of that Samaritan woman, the turning point happened at the same day.

In another case, the turning point may happen at the following days, months, or even years. We never know, but still Jesus said that the harvest truly plentiful!

### YOHANES 4

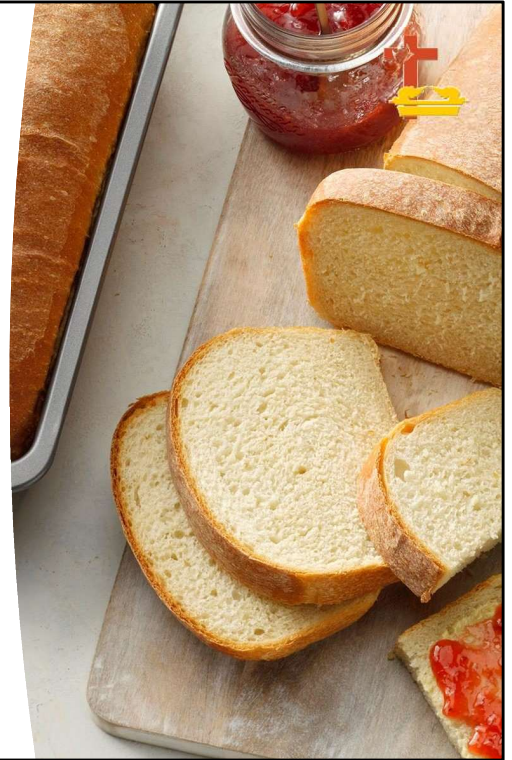
**15** Kata perempuan itu kepada-Nya: "Tuhan, berikanlah aku air itu, supaya aku tidak haus dan tidak usah datang lagi ke sini untuk menimba air."

# The Best Food Ever

## JOHN 4

<sup>31</sup> In the meantime His disciples urged Him, saying, "Rabbi, eat."

<sup>32</sup> But He said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know."



## YOHANES 4

**31** Sementara itu murid-murid-Nya mengajak Dia, katanya: "Rabi, makanlah."

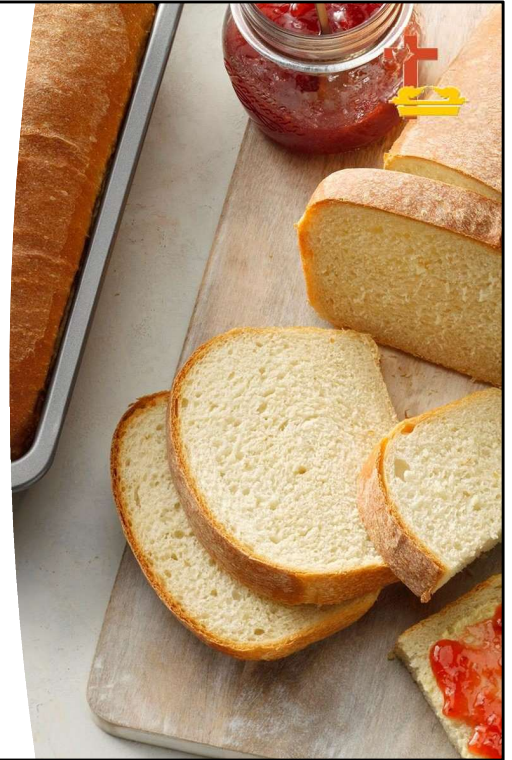
**32** Akan tetapi Ia berkata kepada mereka: "Pada-Ku ada makanan yang tidak kamu kenal."

## The Best Food Ever

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<sup>33</sup> Therefore the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought Him anything to eat?"

<sup>34</sup> Jesus said to them, "My food is **to do the will of Him** who sent Me, and **to finish His work**."



### Doing the will of God is so satisfying!

Just like when we are satisfied with a good food and full with it, so that when we do the will of God, it is definitely a food to our soul.

### YOHANES 4:33-34

**33** Maka murid-murid itu berkata seorang kepada yang lain: "Adakah orang yang telah membawa sesuatu kepada-Nya untuk dimakan?"

**34** Kata Yesus kepada mereka: "Makanan-Ku ialah melakukan kehendak Dia yang mengutus Aku dan menyelesaikan pekerjaan-Nya."





## Do Not Delay

### JOHN 4

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<sup>36</sup> And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together.

<sup>37</sup> For in this the saying is true: 'One sows and another reaps.'

<sup>38</sup> I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored; others have labored, and you have entered into their labors."

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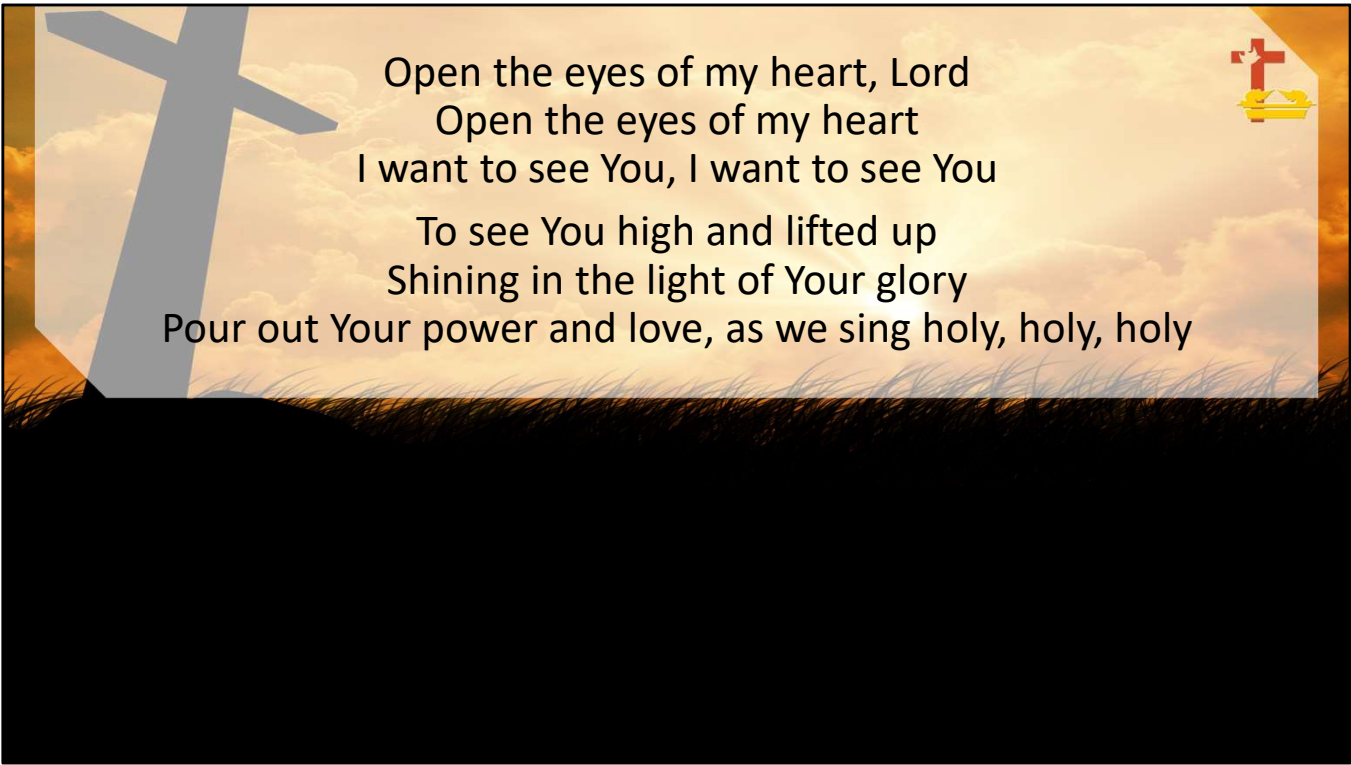
**35** Bukankah kamu mengatakan: Empat bulan lagi tibalah musim menuai? Tetapi Aku berkata kepadamu: Lihatlah sekelilingmu dan pandanglah ladang-ladang yang sudah menguning dan matang untuk dituai.



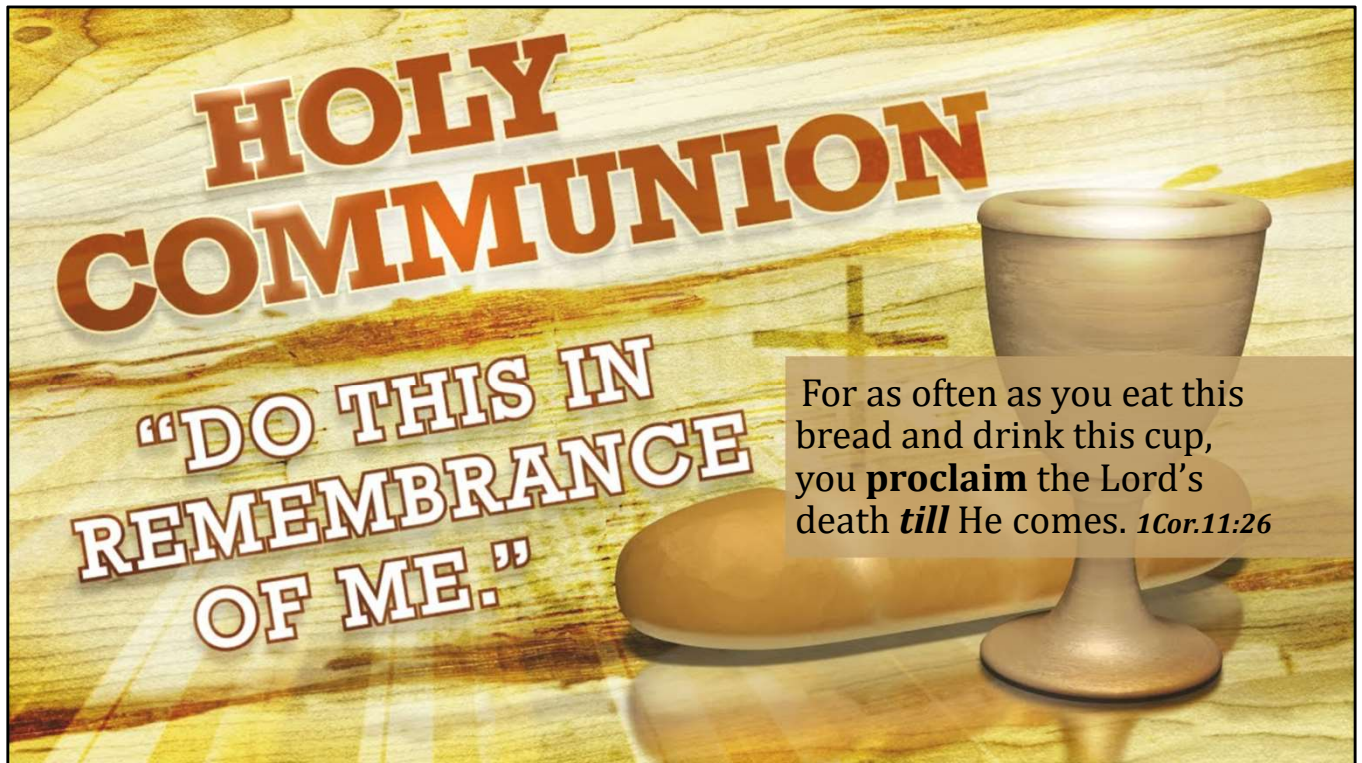
**36** Sekarang juga penuai telah menerima upahnya dan ia mengumpulkan buah untuk hidup yang kekal, sehingga penabur dan penuai sama-sama bersukacita.

**37** Sebab dalam hal ini benarlah peribahasa: Yang seorang menabur dan yang lain menuai.

**38** Aku mengutus kamu untuk menuai apa yang tidak kamu usahakan; orang-orang lain berusaha dan kamu datang memetik hasil usaha mereka."



Open the eyes of my heart, Lord  
Open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see You, I want to see You  
To see You high and lifted up  
Shining in the light of Your glory  
Pour out Your power and love, as we sing holy, holy, holy



A friendly reminder for all of us: Holy Communion is only for those who already baptised in the water. If there is anyone want to commit their life in Jesus, receiving Jesus as the Saviour in their life, please feel free to call us the pastoral team so that we can help you with that commitment and go together with you in that journey of faith and prepare for the water baptism.

## 1CORINTHIANS 11:23-25

The Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, **“Take, eat; This is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me.”**

In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, **“This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”**

**John 15:4-5, 1Corinthians 11:23-25, 1Corinthians 10:16-17**

Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. “I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.

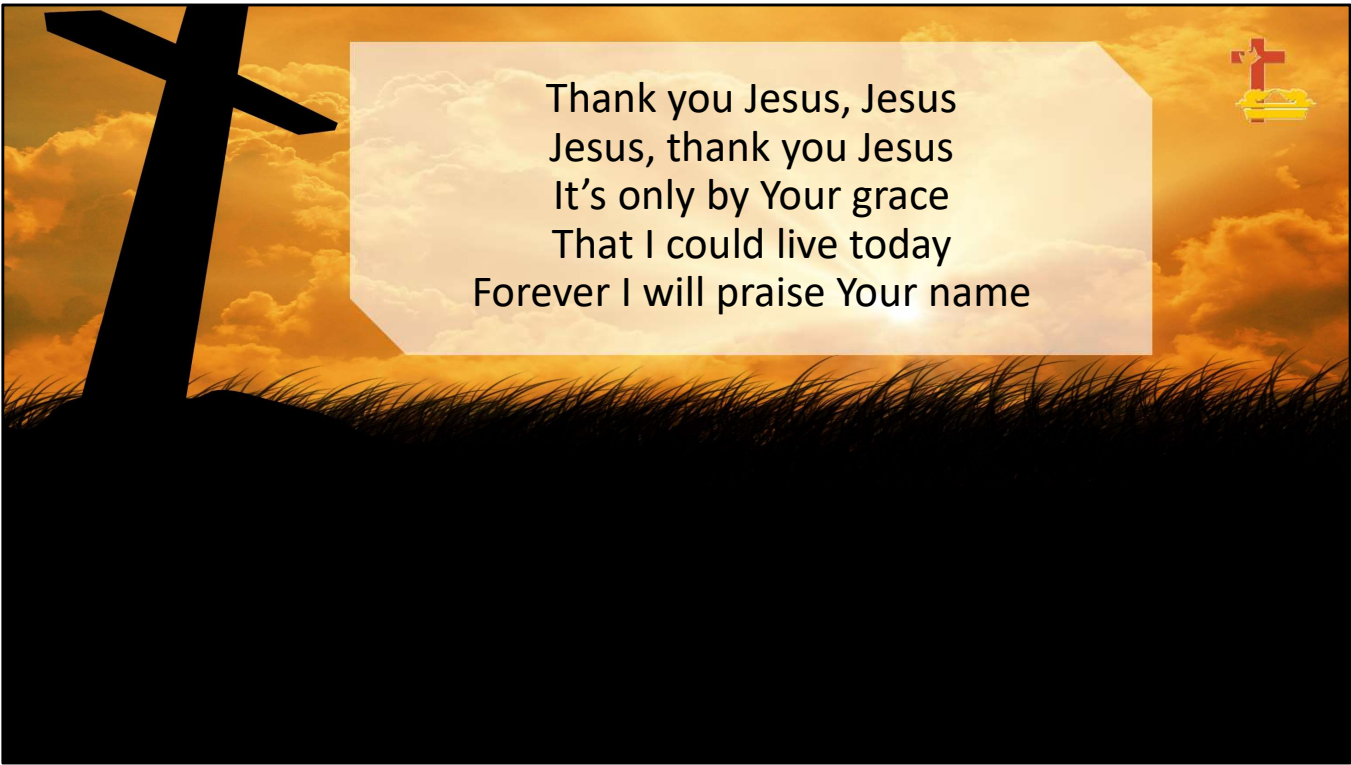
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For we, though many, are one bread and one body; for we all partake of that one bread.

***The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?***

In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

***The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ?***



Thank you Jesus, Jesus  
Jesus, thank you Jesus  
It's only by Your grace  
That I could live today  
Forever I will praise Your name





# GOD BLESS YOU!

*HAVE A BLESSED WEEK WITH JESUS*

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