

## Weekly Communion

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Think Greater

**2 Corinthians 10:5-6 TPT** We can demolish every deceptive fantasy that opposes God and break through every arrogant attitude that is raised up in defiance of the true knowledge of God. We capture, like prisoners of war, every thought and insist that it bow in obedience to the Anointed One. [6] Since we are armed with such dynamic weaponry, we stand ready to punish any trace of rebellion, as soon as you choose complete obedience.

We still think that there is a limit to what God can do in our lives.

God's answer is Always Yes; His Promises is Yes and Amen.

God says Yes you can because of My Son Jesus. Yes, please pray and ask. Yes, please bring your requests and hearts desires to Me. Yes, let Me show you how My heavenly realm operates.

"If I would show you all at one time what I want to do in your life... I MIGHT OVERWHELM YOU BUT MY ANSWER IS YES. BECAUSE I AM WHO I AM - YOUR GOD AND CREATOR. MY WAY OF GIVING AND BLESSING CAN NOT BE MEASURED BY YOUR PRESENT MINDSET OF ME. MY WAY OF GIVING DOES NOT HAVE ANY LIMITS. I GIVE FREELY AND IN ABUNDANCE. "

We are in a season of Spiritual Warfare. Our effectiveness in spiritual warfare is no greater than our ability to control our thoughts.

*The prophet Isaiah cried out, "God, if only you would tear open the heavenly realm and come down!" (Isaiah 64:1 TPT). These words prophesied what would take place when Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist. When He came up out of the water, whatever spiritual darkness that had kept the world in bondage to deception was destroyed as the Father ripped open the heavens and released the Holy Spirit upon His Son.*

*That reality has not changed. The Holy Spirit has never been taken back; He has been here for 2000 years. The heavens remain open.*

*The problem, though, is that we can so easily drift into becoming more aware of the storm—the very real and current problems we face—than we are of the PRESENCE OF GOD IN OUR MIDST. When this happens, we begin to live in reaction to the works of the enemy.*

*There are many Christians who would almost pride themselves on living in reaction to the devil because it feels industrious and responsible.*

*But Jesus didn't live by reacting to evil; He lived in response to the Father. There was a manifestation of the nature, heart, and presence of the Father through the life of Jesus. And from that place, He stripped the devil of all authority.*

*In the book of Luke, Jesus rebuked the storm that threatened His journey with the disciples. The very fact that He REBUKED the WIND and the WAVES, instead of merely COMMANDING them, implies that there was a SPIRITUAL POWER behind that STORM.*

*Not all storms have natural causes. We don't want to go around looking for demons behind every*



bush, but to live like Jesus; we must be able to distinguish the Kingdom of Heaven from the kingdom of earth. We must know that a greater reality surrounds us.

Jesus says to Nathanael, "From now on, you all will see an open heaven and gaze upon the Son of Man like a stairway reaching into the sky with the messengers of God climbing up and down upon him!" (John 1:51 TPT).

Jesus was our prototype; the eternal Son of God, living within the limitations of humanity. Jesus was the dwelling place of God upon man and, after His death and resurrection, He empowered His Church to be the same. We are to inhabit the boundary of two worlds—the natural and the spiritual.

We were designed to live in an open heaven. To expect anything less is to not only SELL OUR PURPOSE SHORT, but also to SELL SHORT GOD'S PURPOSE AND PLAN FOR HIS CHILDREN. He is building in us an awareness of the unseen realities of God.

Circumstances may be swirling around us, but His Word tells us that the unseen world is actually more real than what is visible.

Paul said, "What is seen is temporary, but the unseen realm is eternal" (2 Corinthians 4:18 TPT).

The spiritual world is not a shadow of our natural world; that which we can see is a shadow of a greater spiritual reality.

We have the privilege of standing on the edge of two worlds, deciding which reality we are going to PARTNER WITH when the STORMS of life come.

The natural world would tell us to divide and protect ourselves. The enemy is working hard to scatter and separate us,

BUT we get to partner with God's Kingdom to choose, instead, to band together. Freedom in Christ gives us the opportunity to live unencumbered by sin, (OF COURSE) but also the liberty to live in an open heaven, TRAINING our THOUGHT LIFE in accordance with the will of God, and living according to our true design—from heaven to earth.

(Bill Johnson)

### Communion

BREAD - The bread signifies that we are in Christ and can live according to our new nature.

WINE - Through the blood I declare that I'm free from all entanglement and sin.

Father I thank you tonight that I am forgiven and that I have a race to run, please strengthen me as I look to Jesus. I recognize my covenant as I partake of the communion and receive His abundant Grace to help me in my time of need.

The bread signifies I am healed of my wounds. Through the blood I declare that I'm free from all entanglement and sin.

### Blessing

**Numbers 6:24-26 NLT** 'May the LORD bless you and protect you. [25] May the LORD smile on you and be gracious to you. [26] May the LORD show you his favor and give you his peace.' Amen

