

COMMUNION – WHAT IS IT?

John 6:65-69

Intro – Jesus had just told people He was the bread of life. (48). We need to consume that bread to have eternal life. (54). He was speaking spiritually not physically. (63). The disciples understood this. (69)

I. Communion is for believers.

A. Only those who have accepted Jesus should take communion.

B. Unbelievers who take it bring damnation on themselves. 1Cor.11:29

C. It is a way for believers to publicly say “I have given my life to Jesus.” Matt.5:16

II. Communion is for believers who have a clear conscience. 1Cor.11:28

A. You have asked Jesus to search your heart. Ps.139:23

B. You have confessed any known sin. Ps.51:3

C. You have resolved any known conflict. Matt.5:23-24

III. Communion is a tool God uses to give the believer strength.

A. Because we remember what Jesus has done for us. 1Jn.1:7

B. We remember He is with us. Matt.18:20, Mt.28:20

C. We are given physical elements to symbolize His presence with us. Matt.26:26-28, 1Cor.11:27

Con. Communion doesn't save you; it reminds you that you are saved by the body and blood of Jesus.