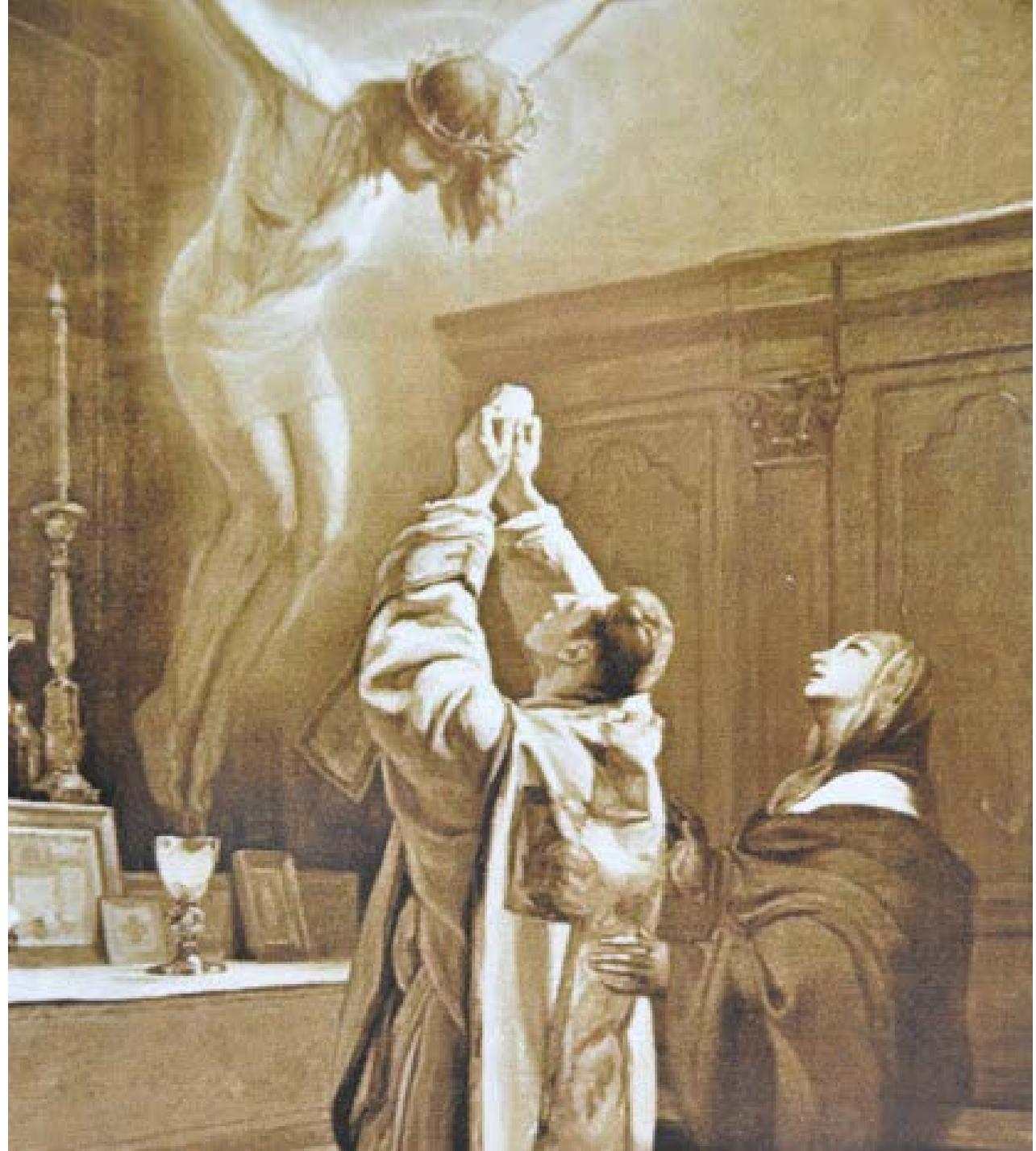


# THE MASS AND THE EUCCHARIST:

*The Eucharist  
in Scripture  
and the Fathers*



# Bread from Heaven: Exodus 16:

2 And the whole congregation of the people of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, 3 and said to them, "Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate bread to the full; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

4 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day....

13 ...in the morning dew lay round about the camp. 14 And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as hoarfrost on the ground. 15 When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, "It is the bread which the LORD has given you to eat.

# **Reservation of the Manna: Exodus 16**

**32 And Moses said, "This is what the LORD has commanded: 'Let an omer of it be kept throughout your generations, that they may see the bread with which I fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you out of the land of Egypt.'"**

# Bread of Presence/Showbread: Leviticus 24

**5 Take flour, too, and bake twelve loaves of it....6 these must be set on the table of pure gold that stands there before the Lord, six on each side of it. 7 And put grains of fine incense on them; the bread is to be a token-sacrifice to the Lord. 8 Every sabbath day new loaves shall be set there, Israel's covenanted gift in perpetuity; 9 the old will be for the use of Aaron and his sons, who are to eat them on holy ground; they are set apart for holy uses, reserved out of the Lord's offerings as the prerogative of the priests for ever.**

# **Bread of Presence: Matthew 12**

**3 ... "Have you not read what David did, when he was hungry, and those who were with him: 4 how he entered the house of God and ate the bread of the Presence, which it was not lawful for him to eat nor for those who were with him, but only for the priests? ....6 I tell you, something greater than the temple is here..... 8 For the Son of man is lord of the sabbath."**

# **Bread of Presence: 1 Samuel 21**

**1 Samuel 21:4 Why, answered the priest, never a loaf have I here for common uses; there is only the holy bread. Are they free from defilement, these followers of thine, from the touch of woman, at least? 5 As to women, David told the priest, we are as clean as when we set out a day or two back....6 So the priest gave him hallowed bread, since he had nothing but the loaves which had been set out in the Lord's presence, and must now be taken away to make room for a new batch.**

# **Messianic Banquet: Isaiah 25**

**6 On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of fat things, ...of fat things full of marrow, of wine on the lees well refined. ...He will swallow up death for ever, and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces....It will be said on that day, "Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."**

# Messianic Banquet: Proverbs 9

**1 Wisdom has built her house, she has set up her seven pillars. She has slaughtered her beasts, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. She has sent out her maids to call from the highest places in the town, "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed."**

# Messianic Banquet: Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want; he makes me lie down in green pastures. ....You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

# Passover: Exodus 12

1 The LORD said...3 Tell all the congregation of Israel that ...they shall take every man a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household; ...5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old; 6...the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs in the evening. \* 7 Then they shall take some of the blood, and put it on the two doorposts ...of the houses ... 8 They shall eat the flesh that night....It is the LORD's passover. 12 For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will smite all the first-born ...when I see the blood, I will pass over you...

# Passover: Exodus 12

**...14 "This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as an ordinance for ever. ..."**

# MT. SINAI: Exodus 24

4 And Moses ...rose early in the morning, and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars... 5 And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who ...sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the LORD. 6 And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. ....8\* And Moses took the blood and threw it upon the people, and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant..."

9 Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ..... 11 And ...they beheld God, and ate and drank.

# Psalm 51

**16 For you have no delight in sacrifice; if I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased. 17 The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. 18 Do good to Zion in your good pleasure; rebuild the walls of Jerusalem, 19 then you will delight in right sacrifices, in burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings; then bulls will be offered on your altar.**

# **Sacrifice and Covenant**

- **Covenant is mutual total self gift**
  - **“I will be your God, and you will be my people.”**
- **Sacrifice/Give yourself to God, give whole life to God**
  - **Offering of substitute victim: “redemption”**
- **Sprinkling blood and eating flesh symbolizes:**
  - **Communion of life**
  - **Identity with victim/sacrifice**

# MULTIPLICATION OF LOAVES: Matthew 14

15 When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a lonely place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to ...buy food for themselves." 16 Jesus said, "...you give them something to eat." 17 They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." 18 And he said, "Bring them here to me." 19 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 blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. 20 And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over.

# Last Supper Institution Narrative

**Matthew 26:26** Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is my body."

**Luke 22:9** And he took bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body which is given for you."

# Compare Multiplication to Consecration

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# **John 6: Bread of life**

**Jesus Insists #1: 35 Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst....38 For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me;**

**People Doubt #1: 41 The Jews then murmured at him, because he said, "I am the bread which came down from heaven." 42 They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?"**

# John 6: Bread of life

**Jesus Insists #2: 43 Jesus answered them, "Do not murmur among yourselves. ...47 Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes has eternal life. 48 I am the bread of life. ....51 I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if any one eats of this bread, he will live for ever; and the bread which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh."**

**People Doubt #2: 52 The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"**

# John 6: Bread of life

**Jesus Insists #3: 53 So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you; ...55 For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.**

**People Doubt #3: 60 Many of his disciples, when they heard it, said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?"**

# **John 6: Bread of life**

**Jesus Insists #4: 61 But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples murmured at it, said to them, "Do you take offense at this? ...65 And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father."**

**People Doubt #4:: 66 After this many of his disciples drew back and no longer went about with him.**

# **John 6: Bread of life**

**Jesus Insists #5: 67 Jesus said to the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?"**

**Apostles Believe: 68 Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life; 69 and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."**

# **Institution Narrative: 1 Cor: 11**

**23...the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, 24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." 25 In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."**

# Passover?

- **Matthew 26: 17** Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Where will you have us prepare for you to eat the passover?" ...
- **20** When it was evening, he sat at table with the twelve disciples;

**John 13: 1** Now before the feast of the Passover...

**John 19: 14** Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover;

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# **Fulfills Old Testament**

**Manna from heaven**

**Showbread**

**Messianic banquet**

**New Passover**