Communion Truths and Commitments

This is a brief overview of how believers are to be reminded and respond to the communion service. At the end of our brief study, we will have a chance to affirm these commitments as we observe communion.

THE BREAD Truths

1.	Jesus Gave His Body for Us:	
	1 Cor 11:23b-24the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; ²⁴ 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."	
	John 3:16-17 "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. ¹⁷ "For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.	

2. We Are Part of Jesus' Body:

1 Cor 10:17 For we, though many, are one bread and one body; for we all partake of that one bread.

1 Cor 12:12-13 For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also *is* Christ. ¹³ For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body-- whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free-- and have all been made to drink into one Spirit.

Rom 12:5 so we, *being* many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another.

3. We Are to Care for Jesus' Body:

1 Cor 12:24b-26 But God composed the body, having given greater honor to that *part* which lacks it, 25 that there should be no schism in the body, but *that* the members should have the same care for one another. 26 And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.

Eph 4:16 from whom the whole body, joined and knit together **by what every joint supplies**, according to the effective working by which **every part does its share**, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

THE BREAD Commitments

- I reaffirm my belief in the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, Who paid for my sins by dying on the cross and rose again.
- I recognize my responsibility to share this Good News with others.
- I recommit to sacrificially consider and care for the body of Christ, this local church, of which I am a part.

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THE CUP Truths

1.	Jesus	a New Covenant	
	1 Cor 11:25-26 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."		

2. We Receive ______ from the New Covenant

Heb 9:15 And for this reason He is the Mediator of the **new covenant**, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called **may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance**.

3. We Have _____ in the New Covenant

Heb 10:19-25 **Therefore**, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, ²¹ and having a High Priest over the house of God, ²² **let us draw near** with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ **Let us hold fast** the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And **let us consider one another** in order to stir up love and good works, ²⁵ not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

THE CUP Commitments

- I affirm the New Covenant that Jesus secured through His own blood.
- I acknowledge the privileges that come through this New Covenant, and seek to learn of them and grow by them.
- I commit to the responsibilities I have in the New Covenant, to fulfill my responsibilities, including personal purity, a steadfast testimony, and faithful gathering with this assembly.

