



## **PART 4: Kingdom Communion**

### **INTRODUCTION**

The Kingdom of God/Heaven was mentioned by Jesus in the Gospels at least 85 times. But what did Jesus mean by the Kingdom of God? How do we experience it? Why do we need it? Isn't the kingdom of this world enough? Jesus didn't think so, let's find out why...

### **KEY SCRIPTURE**

Exodus 13:3

1 Corinthians 11:24-28

Romans 8:1

Matthew 26:26-29

Romans 10:9

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

1. If you grew up going to church, What do you remember about the purpose and meaning of communion? If you didn't grow up going to church, what have you thought or assumed about communion?
2. Have you considered the connection between the freedom from slavery in Egypt for the Israelites in Exodus with the freedom from slavery to sin for all people through Jesus in the New Testament? In what ways have you lived as a slave to sin?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 11:24. Communion is a way to remember the death and resurrection of Jesus. In what other ways can you daily remember what Jesus has done for you?
4. Read 1 Corinthians 11:26. Communion is also a way to remember the promise of what Jesus is going to do for us in his return. In what other ways can you daily remember Jesus' promise that he is coming back to reign as King in His Kingdom forever?
5. Read 1 Corinthians 11:27-28. Communion is also a time to re-examine yourself. As you re-examine your life, what unconfessed sin are you holding onto? Is there anything between you and another person that you need to forgive or ask forgiveness for?
6. Pastor Will taught that the way you stand for the Kingdom is through love, whether they love you back or not, just like Jesus did...not through hate, violence, or anger. When is it most difficult for you to stand for the Kingdom of God through love?

### **MOVING FORWARD**

Application Prayer: Jesus, thank you for your sacrifice for me. Reveal anything that's come between us, or anyone else. Please bless this rehearsal of your great Kingdom banquet!