

Drink My Blood And Eat My Flesh!

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John 6:54, *Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day.*

- This Passage Is **NOT** Talking About The Lord's Supper, But The Lord's Supper **IS** Talking About This Passage!

Context Is The Key To Understanding This Passage:

- Jesus Physically Feeds the PEOPLE

John 6:12, *When they had all had enough to eat, He said to His disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted."*

- The People Want More Food, But Jesus Wants To Give Them SPIRITUAL FOOD

John 6:25,* When they found Him on the other side of the lake, they asked Him, "Rabbi, when did You get here?" 26 Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, you are looking for Me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. 27 Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you... 28 Then they asked Him, "What must we do to do the works God requires?" 29 Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the One He has sent."*

- Jesus Differentiates Between Physical And Spiritual Food

John 6:35, *Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to Me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in Me will never be thirsty... 40 For My Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in Him shall have eternal life, and I will raise*

them up at the last day.”... 47 Very truly I tell you, the one who believes has eternal life. 48 I am the Bread of Life.

- Jesus Provides an Old Testament ILLUSTRATION

John 6:49, *Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, yet they died. 50 But here is the bread that comes down from Heaven, which anyone may eat and not die. 51 I am the Living Bread that came down from Heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is My flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.”*

This Verse In Context:

John 6:53, *Jesus said to them, “Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you. 54 Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day. 55 For My flesh is real food and My blood is real drink. 56 Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood remains in Me, and I in them... 58 This is the bread that came down from Heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.” ... 66 From this time many of His disciples turned back and no longer followed Him. 67 “You do not want to leave too, do you?” Jesus asked the Twelve. 68 Simon Peter answered Him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. 69 We have come to believe and to know that You are the Holy One of God.”*

Two Practical Ideas With Eternal Consequences:

- Eating Physical Food Leads To Temporary Nourishment And Ultimately Death—EATING Is The Action!
- Jesus Is The Spiritual Food That Leads To Ultimate Nourishment And Eternal Life—**BELIEVING** Is The Action!

Matthew 26:26, *While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is My body.” 27 Then He took a cup, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you. 28 This is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.*