



# *Come To The Table*

## *Day 5: Chorus*

Come to the table  
Come join the sinners who have been redeemed  
Take your place beside the Savior  
Sit down and be set free  
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## *Scripture Reference*

While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many."

– *Mark 14: 22–24*



We end our week in one of the Gospels' accounts of the Last Supper, a familiar story of the Bible to many. It is, of course, set at a table...a meal shared by close friends. Luke's account of the Last Supper tells us Jesus "eagerly desired" this meal. Even though Jesus knew the events leading to His death would come after the meal, He eagerly desired the time with His friends. And yet, they struggled to recognize the importance of the Last Supper and what was yet to come.

*Do you eagerly desire time with Jesus? After all that we have discussed this week, do you see Jesus as your friend? Do you still struggle with the idea that Jesus saved **you**, He knows **you** – the good and the bad, and He wants to be **your** friend?*

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John's testament of the Last Supper included Jesus washing the feet of the disciples. In that day, travelling on dirt roads in only sandals left one with extremely dirty feet. It was the role of the house servant, or lowliest person at that house, to wash the feet of all attendees. While this story has many other significant meanings, let us focus this week on the intimacy Jesus offered in washing the disciples feet. Out of love, He stooped and washed the feet of his beloved friends. Many of the disciples were uncomfortable with this act. And yet, Jesus offered it anyways.

*How does Jesus offer to "wash your feet" in your own life? What intimate act is He offering you? Does it make you feel uncomfortable? In what areas of your life or in what ways can you tangibly accept Jesus' washing and embrace it as a beautiful, selfless, loving act of friendship? Pray to your Heavenly Father that He would show you how Jesus can wash your feet and that you could enjoy the moment with Him. Sit down and be set free.*

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Jesus walked the disciples through the sacraments of what we now call Communion. Merriam-Webster defines communion as the act of sharing, an intimate fellowship or rapport. Even in that non-Biblical definition, Jesus continues to point us towards our relationship with Him and His desire to share with us. He invites us to His table for intimate fellowship.

*How does the definition of communion help reshape or build up your view of Holy Communion? If you partake in Communion, do you ever stop to recognize the thought that you are at Jesus' table? You are sharing in a meal with a very dear friend. Participate in a Holy Communion today. Alternatively, spend time in prayer reading through the four different Gospels' version of the Last Supper and pray over the fellowship, friendship, and relationship Jesus invites us into through Holy Communion. Come to the table.*

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Jesus describes the bread as His body broken for us and the wine as His blood poured out for many. Do not let the familiarity of those sacraments cause you to move past the significance of both. Jesus gave His body to be broken in a horrific crucifixion on the cross for us...for **you**. His blood poured out to wash the transgressions of many, including yours. What a perfect sacrifice. One none of us are able to give ourselves or even truly comprehend on this side of Heaven.

*Are you encouraged by the truth and meaning in the sacraments? Or do you instead maybe find yourself unworthy? Know that Jesus loves you! Jesus is calling you. He's inviting you to come join His motley crew of misfits, to take your place beside Him, to join in redemption, to sit down and be set free! Oh beloved, end your week in prayer and ask the Holy Spirit to help you accept all that He is offering.*

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