

A photograph of a wooden chalice filled with red wine and a piece of bread on a burlap surface. The chalice is made of light-colored wood with a flared rim and a stem. The bread is golden-brown and appears to be a small roll or loaf, broken into two pieces. The background is a textured, light-colored fabric, likely burlap. The entire scene is framed by a black border.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 1**

*"Then Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, Moses did not give you the bread from heaven, but My Father gives you the true bread from heaven. And Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst." John 6:32, 35 (New King James Version)*

Our heavenly Father supernaturally provided manna from heaven to feed Moses and the Israelites after they departed from Egypt. This manna was a natural provision for everyday life, but it did not last from day to day. God provided fresh manna daily to his people, giving them the sustenance they needed to nourish their bodies. They walked in divine health and life during their long journey. Jesus is the true Bread of Life. He provides us with spiritual sustenance for our everyday lives. As we taste and see that He is good and feed on His Word, the Bible, we receive spiritual nourishment for our souls. Taking communion is a powerful way to partake of Jesus and the life He gives. Take communion, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, once a day for a month. As you do, spend time in worship, the Word and prayer. Jesus said to take, eat and drink in remembrance of him. Commune with HIM as you engage!

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, come into my heart and life as I take communion. Show me the reality of You and all Jesus did for me on the cross. Holy Spirit, commune with me today. Let Your Word become a reality inside of me. Let me feast of the Bread of Life, Jesus! In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 2**

*"Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me has everlasting life. I am the bread of life. Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and are dead. This is the bread which comes down from heaven that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is My flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world." John 6:47-51 (New King James Version)*

Jesus is the living Word of God. He is the Bread of Life! Natural bread may satisfy our physical bodies, but only Jesus can truly satisfy our spiritual hunger. We may look for spiritual fast food in many places, just a quick bite to temporarily satisfy us, but only feeding on the Bread of His Presence will nourish and satisfy our spirit man. Commune with Him today in deep worship. Ask Him to come in and sup with you. Do not feed on spiritual gluten or GMO's. Feed on the pure holy Bread of Life, Jesus!

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, I want to know You in a more intimate way. As I partake of this communion, help me to be satisfied with Your presence. Holy Spirit, come live inside me and fill me with the Bread of Presence. Teach me how to worship You in deep intimacy. Let me commune with You in purity and holiness. In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 3**

*"Then Jesus said to them, 'Most assuredly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you. Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. For My flesh is food indeed, and My blood is drink indeed. He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him. As the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the Father, so he who feeds on Me will live because of Me.'" John 6:53-57 (New King James Version)*

When we feed on Jesus, we are feeding on His Word (Bible), His presence, and His person. We are communing with the Son of God. It is a relationship with a real person! We spend time developing an intimate relationship with our Lord through reading the Word, praying and worshiping Him. Eating His flesh means communing WITH HIM! Other religions including demonic cults have rituals where they eat the flesh and drink the blood of sacrificed animals. Satan has many counterfeits to the authentic plan of the One True God, but eating and drinking from ANY counterfeit is like eating POISON. It will not sustain or nourish your spirit man. In fact, it will pollute and pervert everything that is Truth. Only if we feed on Jesus will we have authentic LIFE and TRUTH!

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, come alive to me through the Word, in worship and in prayer. Come alive to me as I partake of Your body and blood. Show me any ways I have partaken of any counterfeit communion from the enemy. Please forgive me. Cleanse me with the precious Body and Blood of my Savior, Jesus. Let me feed on the TRUE LIFE AND TRUTH, JESUS! In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 4**

*"For I received from the lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; 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.' 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.'" 1 Corinthians 11:23-25 (New King James Version)*

Take, eat and drink in remembrance of the life of Christ Jesus that was sacrificed for us so that we may have eternal life. Taking communion is a reminder of the price that Jesus paid on the cross to take away our sin and sickness, so that we might be saved from sickness and spiritual death. When we partake of communion, we are communing with Him! We feed on His life, healing and love. We partake of His divine nature and the very essence of who He is. HE IS LIFE AND LOVE! When we partake of communion, we remember that He paid an extreme price for us to have the fullness of Heaven.

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, as I feed on the Body and Blood of Jesus, I know I am feeding on HIM. I am partaking of His Divine Nature and His Life. Please forgive me of ALL sin; wrong thoughts, wrong words, wrong deeds, wrong attitudes and wrong motivations. Forgive me of ALL the ways I fall short of Your glorious holiness. Wash me clean with the pure, holy Blood of Jesus. Fill me with Your LIFE and LOVE! In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 5**

*"And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, 'This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me.' Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you.'" Luke 22:19-20 (New King James Version)*

In the Old Testament, the Jewish people customarily broke bread every Sabbath. This is still practiced today by many Jewish believers in Messiah. Jesus was Jewish and practiced the feasts and traditions faithfully. The breaking of bread on the Sabbath was a foreshadowing of the New Testament established by Jesus in an intimate setting with His disciples. Jesus' body was the bread that was broken for us. The cup was His blood that was shed for us. Through the act of communion, we remember the price He paid for us AND the door of opportunity He gave us to become His intimate friends. Jesus communes WITH us as HIS FRIENDS in the COMMUNION!

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, thank You for making a way for me to become intimate with You through the Body and Blood of Jesus. Jesus, thank You for dying on the cross so that I may have eternal life. Holy Spirit, thank You for showing me how I may become an intimate friend of Jesus through communion WITH HIM. Lord, I want to know You intimately! I want to be Your friend. Teach me Your ways. In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 6/7**

*"And this is the eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent." John 17:3*

Eternity is real. It existed before this world was formed and will continue to exist forever. Our limited human brains cannot grasp the vastness of eternity, but it is very real. To have "life eternal" is to live in that continuum of space and time that existed before our lives began and after we leave this earth; it is life with the Father. Eternal life comes as a gift from our heavenly Father through the giver of life, Jesus, His son. Jesus came from eternity into our finite life existence, laid His life down willingly to pay the penalty for sin and death on the cross, and made a way for us to be restored back into intimacy with our heavenly Father. Without the sacrifice that Jesus made, we would have no legal access to the Father, because of sin. Jesus came and paid the most profoundly costly price for us, HIS LIFE. NOW, we can KNOW the Father and KNOW Jesus!

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, thank You for sending Your only begotten Son, Jesus, to come to this earth and die on the cross for my sins. Thank You, Jesus, for making a way for me to be able to live in an intimate relationship with my heavenly Father. Thank You that I will be able to live for You while on this earth, and I will be able to live with You throughout all eternity. I want to KNOW YOU in a deep intimate way. In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 8**

*"He is despised and rejected by men, a Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. As we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him. Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed." Isaiah 53:3-5 (New King James Version)*

Hundreds of years before Jesus Christ was born, Isaiah prophesied of His sacrifice on the cross for us. Jesus, the King, descended from heaven to take on humanity and become our sacrificial lamb. Many people of that day did not recognize Him as the Savior for whom they had prayed. They rejected Him and turned away from Him; however, only someone without sin could pay the price for us all. Jesus took our sin and gave us His righteousness, an unfair exchange. The Jews of His day neither recognized nor received Him then, and many still do not recognize or receive Him now. Jesus willingly laid down his life because of His immense love for us and His desire for us to be with Him for all eternity. That is an amazing and unfathomable love.

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, open the eyes of my understanding, my spiritual ears to hear the truth, and my heart to receive all that You have for me. Help me to truly embrace You, all that You have for me and all that You are. I want to know You and Your unfathomable love for me. In the name of Jesus, amen.

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**30 Day Challenge-Day 9**

*"But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves. I have given them Your word; and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, just as I am not of the world. I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth. As you sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they also may be sanctified by the truth." John 17:13-19 (New King James Version)*

Right before Jesus went to the cross, He prayed to the Father. This scripture was part of His prayer. He was praying for the Father to protect the disciples and other believers from satan and his evil plans. Jesus also prayed that His death on the cross and His blood that was spilled would sanctify and cleanse them from all sin. In addition, He prayed that they would be FULL of His everlasting JOY! This joy comes from being restored by the blood of Jesus to right relationship with the Father. Everyone is looking for happiness, joy, fulfillment and satisfaction in life. The joy of the Lord is the only joy that will sustain you even in times of trouble. Knowing Him and having a relationship with Him is the only true joy that will last. Partake of His love, goodness, protection, cleansing and joy today. Partake of HIM!

**PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, cleanse me from ALL sin and unrighteousness with the Blood of Jesus. Protect me from the plots of the evil one. Let the Blood of Jesus restore me to You, Your LIFE, Your PEACE, and Your JOY! In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 10**

*"I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in me through their word; that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me." John 17:20-23 (New King James Version)*

Intimacy with God is the only way we will see His glory come to the earth. It is the only way God and His power and glory will be revealed to the world. As we spend time talking and listening to God, praying, reading His Word to know Him more and worshiping Him, we will become one with Him. When we become one with Him, then His glory will be revealed through us to the world. Jesus prayed for His disciples and all who would believe to become one with the Father and with Him just as He was completely one with the Father. The cross made a way for us to become intimate and one with our God!

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, I want to KNOW YOU! I want to become completely ONE with You. Reveal Yourself to me through Your Word, the Bible, through worship, and through prayer. I want to become completely ONE WITH YOU! In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 11**

*"Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world. O righteous Father! The world has not known You, but I have known You; and these have known that You sent Me. And I have declared to them Your name, and will declare it, that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them." John 17:24-26 (New King James Version)*

The heart of the Father is and always will be to love us and to be loved by us. In John 3:16, we know that God so LOVED the world that He sent His only begotten Son that WHOSOEVER believes in Him should NOT perish but have everlasting life. The heart of God the Father is LOVE! He loves us, and He wants an intimate relationship with us. He wants us to mature into sons and daughters who are filled with His love and walk in His glory. His plan as a loving Father is to see us reflect who He is, just as Jesus did. We mature into His beautiful likeness by developing His nature through intimacy with Him. Read the Word, talk and listen to Him, pray in the spirit and worship Him for He alone is worthy!

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, I want to KNOW Your deep, deep love for me. I want to live in communion with You daily. I want to know You and be known by You. I want to reveal Your love and glory to others. I desire to become like You. Transform my life so that I become like You and reflect Your love and glory to the people of this world. In the name of Jesus.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 12**

*"When Jesus had spoken these words, He went out with His disciples over the Brook Kidron, where there was a garden, which He and His disciples entered. And Judas, who betrayed Him, also knew the place; for Jesus often met there with His disciples. Then Judas, having received a detachment of troops, and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees, came there with lanterns, torches and weapons. Jesus therefore, knowing all things that would come upon Him, went forward and said to them, 'Whom are you seeking?' They answered Him, 'Jesus of Nazareth.' Jesus said to them, 'I am He.' And Judas, who betrayed Him, also stood with them. Now when He said to them, 'I am He,' they drew back and fell to the ground. Then He asked them again, 'Whom are you seeking?' And they said, 'Jesus of Nazareth.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you that I am He. Therefore, if you seek Me, let these go their way,' that the saying might be fulfilled which He spoke, 'Of those whom You gave me I have lost none.'" John 18:1-9 (New King James Version)*

After Jesus prayed for deep intimacy between His disciples, the father, and Him, He took the twelve disciples to the garden where they met together from time to time. This was a place of intimacy between Jesus and the twelve, a place where He could pour into them about the Kingdom of God. His enemies came to capture Him and put Him on trial for heresy. They gained access through one of His twelve, the betrayer, Judas. When they asked which one was Jesus, the Lord replied, "I AM HE!" Proclaiming this was proclaiming that He was the I AM., the one true eternal God, Son of the Father. The POWER of those words was so forceful that the soldiers were knocked backward to the ground. The great I AM that I AM could never have been apprehended by the soldiers if He had not allowed them to take Him. Just the POWER of His words knocked them over. He is the Way, the Truth and the Life. There is no one else who can give Eternal Life. He willingly allowed them to take Him to the cross so that we might live with Him forever.

**PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, thank You for Your Son, Jesus. Thank You that He walked in the FULLNESS of YOUR POWER here on the earth. Thank You, Jesus, for going to the cross in my place. Thank You for taking the punishment for MY SIN upon Yourself. Thank You that You are the great I AM! Thank You for WILLINGLY giving Your life as a ransom for many. I want to know You as the great I AM! In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 13/14**

*“When those around Him saw what was going to happen, they said to Him, ‘Lord, shall we strike with the sword?’ And one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus answered and said, ‘Permit even this.’ And He touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, captains of the temple, and the elders who had come to Him, “Have you come out, as against a robber, with swords and clubs? When I was with you daily in the temple, you did not try to seize Me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness.” Luke 22:49-53 (New King James Version)*

Right after Jesus and His disciples had gone to the garden, a band of temple guards and religious leaders came during the night to arrest Him. Judas had betrayed Jesus' whereabouts for 30 pieces of silver. Peter, who was one of the twelve disciples, pulled out a sword to defend Jesus and over zealously cut off the ear of one of the guards. Can you imagine the astonishment and shock of the guard to find his ear on the ground and blood spewing from the side of his head? Jesus displays His true nature of love and compassion for the man who was getting ready to arrest Him. He picked up the bloody ear and placed it back on the side of the man's face and healed him. That means that it was completely restored as if nothing had ever happened; no blood, no pain, no scar and no trauma... HEALED! The guard's shock and astonishment had probably now turned to utter disbelief. I am sure most of the men that the guard had arrested in the past fought and struggled, but instead of struggling Jesus HEALED! This man who taught and healed people openly in the temple in broad daylight, who went about doing good, who preached the Kingdom of God and hope, was now being secretly taken away in the dark of night as a hardened criminal. Yet He had the power to stop it all. This is our Jesus; God and man, love, peace, joy, light, healing, compassion, goodness, mercy, power and our Savior and Lord.

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, Thank You for the LIGHT! Lord, bring everything that is in darkness in my life into Your glorious light. Lord, let Your LOVE and LIGHT invade my life. Let Your heart to heal me invade my life. Let the FULLNESS of who YOU are come into my life and transform me. In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 15**

*"There were also two others, criminals, led with Him to be put to death. And when they had come to the place called Calvary, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on the right hand and the other on the left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do." And they divided His garments and cast lots." Luke 23:32-34 (New King James Version)*

Jesus was falsely accused of blasphemy. He was whipped with a cat-of-nine-tails, which was a whip with nine straps which had pieces of bone, metal and sharp items fastened to it. He received 39 lashes which ripped the flesh from His body. (Each stripe was for the 39 main diseases.) The pain alone would be so excruciating that it could cause death. He survived the scourging because He willed Himself to complete His assignment. On His bloody, raw, open-wounded back, He carried a large, very heavy, wooden cross, the one to which He would be nailed. He was bleeding from His head and back, and bruised from being beaten by the soldiers. Talk about police brutality, and all this toward an innocent man. When they drove the six inch long nails into His hands and feet to attach Him to the cross, blood poured forth once again. Then they pierced His side with a spear. Any other man would have died. But Jesus did not die. Any other man would have cursed His accusers, but Jesus asked His Father to forgive them. He understood that they did not recognize Him as the Son of the Most High. If they had realized who He really was, they would have been begging for forgiveness. Jesus understood their ignorance and had compassion on their spiritual blindness. He died for them while they were yet sinners. He forgave them while they were yet sinners. He had compassion on their frail humanity. This is the God that we serve; a God of incomprehensible love, compassion and forgiveness! No other god has died such an excruciatingly painful death on behalf of a fallen humanity. Jesus could not even die until He willed His spirit to leave His body. He is the SAVIOR of the WORLD!

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, I want to understand the height, depth, width and breadth of Your love and compassion toward me. I want to KNOW YOU as the Savior of the World. I want to KNOW You as MY Savior. I want to have fellowship with You through communion. I desire to KNOW You and YOUR level of forgiveness. Reveal Yourself to me. In the name of Jesus, amen.

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**30 Day Challenge-Day 16**

*"Now on the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they, and certain other women with them, came to the tomb bringing the spices which they had prepared. But they found the stone rolled away from the tomb. Then they went in and did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. And it happened, as they were greatly perplexed about this, that behold, two men stood by them in shining garments. Then, as they were afraid and bowed their faces to the earth, they said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen! Remember how He spoke to you when He was still in Galilee, saying, 'The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.'" And they remembered his words." Luke 24:1-8 (New King James Version)*

Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Joanna all went to the tomb to anoint the dead body of Jesus after He had died and was laid in the tomb. To their amazement, Jesus was NOT there! Instead, they saw two angels glistening white like lightning standing there. The angels reminded them that Jesus had foretold of His death and resurrection. It happened JUST as He had said. They must have been confused, lost, and inconsolable after Jesus died. The one they had believed in and followed for three years was no more. I can imagine that fear and doubt were constantly in their thoughts. Had they been wrong? Were they disillusioned? Deceived? They had loved Him so much! They had seen all the miracles, signs and wonders. How could He have been killed so easily? After seeing the angels at the empty tomb and being reminded of the prophecy Jesus gave of His own death and resurrection, the ladies were filled with such great faith! They ran to find the eleven disciples and were the very first Christian evangelists who proclaimed, "He is not dead...HE IS RISEN!" When we partake of Him, we partake of His resurrection life!

**PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, Thank You that NOTHING could keep Jesus in the grave! No one could take His life! Thank You that Jesus IS THE RESURRECTION and THE LIFE! Lord, let YOUR RESURRECTION LIFE and POWER live IN ME! I partake of YOU, RESURRECTION LIFE! Resurrect me, my identity in You and my destiny in You! In the name of Jesus, amen.

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**30 Day Challenge- Day 17**

*“Therefore My Father loves Me, because I lay down My life that I may take it again. No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This command I have received from My Father.” John 10:17-18 (New King James Version)*

Jesus had complete authority at all times to lay down His life and to take it up again. Neither death nor demons nor sin nor people had control over Him. He was free from everything in this world and completely yielded to the will of the Father. Because He yielded and was willing to obey the Father, He was able to overcome this world. He laid down His life for us and victoriously made a way for us to be free from sin, sickness and death. Receiving Him as our savior and making Him our Lord opens wide the door for eternal life!

**PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, please forgive me for ALL disobedience to You and Your Word. Wash me clean with the precious, holy Blood of Jesus. Holy Spirit, teach me how to love the truth and how to walk in it. Teach me how to radically obey my heavenly Father. Teach me how to yield to Your leading. Fill me now. In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 18**

*"Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?'" John 11:25-26 (New King James Version)*

Jesus spoke these words when He was about to raise His friend Lazarus from the dead. Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days. His body had already started to decay and stink. To the world, and the natural realm, this was impossible. But with God, ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE TO THOSE WHO BELIEVE! Death could not hold Lazarus. When Jesus commanded him to come forth, even his four day old, dead body rose from the grave and came to life. Death could not hold Lazarus and death could not hold Jesus! HE CONQUERED SIN AND DEATH! HE IS LIFE! It is supernatural!

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, give me the revelation of Jesus as RESURRECTION LIFE! Lord, LIVE BIG IN ME as the RESURRECTION and the LIFE! Let Your powerful RESURRECTION LIFE flow through me! In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 19/20**

*"Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him.' Philip said to Him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works. Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father in Me, or else believe Me for the sake of the works themselves. Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father. And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.'" John 14:6-13 (New King James Version)*

Jesus made a way for us to become one with the Father as He was one with the Father. Through His life, death, burial and resurrection, we can receive the fullness of salvation in Christ. This fullness brings life, healing, deliverance, love, joy, peace and POWER from on high! We were created for an intimate relationship with the Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit! We are to be IN HIM and HE IN US. This bridal intimacy is the fullness of salvation and our destiny. As we draw closer and closer to the Lord in deep intimacy, we begin to realize the fullness of Christ IN US! CHRIST IN ME, THE HOPE OF GLORY!

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, I desire to BE IN YOU and YOU IN ME! I desire to have unity and oneness with YOU! I desire an intimate relationship WITH YOU! Lord, I want the FULLNESS OF SALVATION! I desire to do the GREATER WORKS! In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 21/22**

*“If you love Me, keep My commandments. And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever – the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. A little while longer and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you will live also. At that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you. He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him.’ Judas (not Iscariot) said to Him, ‘Lord, how is it that You will manifest Yourself to us, and not to the world?’ Jesus answered and said to him, ‘If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him. He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine but the Father’s who sent Me.’” John 14:15-24 (New King James Version)*

Communion is literally communing with someone, a person. It is talking to, living with and sharing life with another being. It can also be cohabitation. When Jesus said that we would be able to be IN the Father and the Father IN us, He was talking about an indwelling of the Lord IN us. We become a place of habitation and communion with Him. He also said that a sign of our love for the Lord would be obedience to His Word. When you really LOVE someone, you desire to please them and live a life WITH them and FOR them. Keeping God's commandments and the laws of His Word is not a forced, ritualistic demand from God. It is an outward sign of a heart's desire to be close to Him, to know Him intimately and to please Him out of LOVE FOR HIM! Draw close to Him and ask Him for a heart to love and please Him. Ask Him to help you truly KNOW HIM and become ONE with Him.

**PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, I desire to have a heart of LOVE for YOU! I want to KNOW YOU, to LOVE YOU, and to OBEY YOU! I desire to be ONE WITH YOU! Lord, I desire for YOU to indwell my life. I desire for You to be IN ME! Come and have continual communion with me. In the name of Jesus.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 23/24**

*“I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit. You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned. If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.” John 15:1-8 (New King James Version)*

Apart from Jesus, we can do nothing of value. He is the way, the truth and the life. In Him alone is love everlasting. In Him alone is life eternal. We need Him for everything! Becoming intimate with Him brings us into a relationship of total dependence on Him. We depend on Him for identity, purpose, direction, destiny and more. He becomes our source, life bread, daily sustenance, even the air that we breathe. If we abide in Him, His presence, His Word and His glory, then we draw from the life-giving sap of the Holy Spirit that flows from the vine (Jesus) to the branches (us). Then we will truly bear fruit; the fruit of the Spirit (Character and nature of God) and the fruit of salvation of souls, signs, wonders and miracles. We cannot bear any good fruit without HIM! When we abide in HIM, the glory of God, our heavenly Father, is revealed in us and through us.

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, I desire for You to ABIDE IN ME and I IN YOU! I desire to become intimate with You, to KNOW YOUR HEART and to walk in total communion with YOU! I want to bear the fruit of Your Spirit in my character and nature. I want to bear the fruit of a harvest of souls with signs, wonders, and miracles in my life. Thank You for deep intimacy with YOU! In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 25/26**

*“As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father’s commandments and abide in His love. These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full. This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one’s life for his friends. You are My friends if you do whatever I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you.” John 15:9-15 (New King James Version)*

The greatest friend we can ever have is Jesus! The greatest gift any friend can give his friend is to lay down his life for his friend. Jesus laid down His life for us while we were yet sinners and we had no love for the Father. His friendship toward us was true friendship. He gave His life for us willingly and in total love for us. As we become more and more intimate with the Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit, we will begin to be transformed into their likeness. We will begin to manifest more and more love and joy! As we abide more and more in Him, we will abide in His love, because He is love! If we desire to become friends of Jesus, we must obey His commands. We lay down our selfish, worldly desires and abide in Him. We spend time in worship, the Word and prayer daily. We wait on Him and seek His face.

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, Thank You for giving Your Son Jesus to save us from sin, evil and hell. Jesus, thank You for being our friend before we even knew you. Holy Spirit, Help us to become the friend of Jesus, help us to obey the Word of God and help us to lay down our fleshly, worldly desires. I desire to ABIDE IN YOU! In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 27/28**

*"You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you. These things I command you, that you love one another. If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. Remember the word that I said to you, 'A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you. If they kept My word, they will keep yours also." John 15:16-20 (New King James Version)*

God has chosen us, as believers in Jesus Christ, to go into all the world and preach the good news of Jesus. We are called to love everyone and reveal His glory with signs, wonders and miracles. As we go forth into the world, many will not hear, neither receive nor believe. In fact, many will despise. It is hard to believe that anyone could refuse eternal life and everlasting love. It is hard to believe that people will not eat from the loving, giving hand of the Father. It is hard to believe that some of the people of this world would rather hate the messengers of love and kill the ones who bring life. But, as Jesus said, the servant is not above the master. If they did that to Jesus, they will most certainly do it to you! Only intimacy with God will keep us and help us to persevere when trials come our way. As we abide in Him, we are able to love God, love our fellow Christians, love our families, love the world and love our enemies. Only in His love are we able to truly love!

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, thank You for making me an overcomer of this world. Holy Spirit, fill me so full of the love of the Father that I can love people who hate me. Holy Spirit, transform my life so that when people see me, they see Jesus, and when they hear me, they hear Jesus. Transform my life by the LOVE OF GOD RADICALLY! In the name of Jesus, amen.

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### **30 Day Challenge-Day 29/30**

*"Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: 'Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him. And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do. And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.'"*

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see! Jesus' destiny was to leave his glorious heavenly home, come to earth and take on the form of man. He was to preach the Kingdom of God, die on the cross for our sins, destroy sickness and death, conquer the grave, raise from the dead, ascend into heaven and give us an open door into intimacy with our Father. By fulfilling His destiny, He brought the Father glory. Now He has returned to His glorious home in Heaven and has been glorified by the Father. Our destiny is to be transformed into His image and to lay down our lives so that He might live in us. Christ in us, the hope of glory, that we would be intimate with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. That we would be filled with His glory and reveal Him to a lost and dying world!

#### **PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father, I desire to become so ONE WITH YOU that I would become transformed into the image of Christ. I desire to reveal You and Your glory to a lost and dying world. Father come into my life and heart and live BIG IN ME! Holy Spirit, help me to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ and spread the love of the Father to all that I meet. In the name of Jesus, amen.

*"Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns! Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready." Revelation 19:6b-7 (New King James Version)*



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