

# Jesus Said: ‘Drink My Blood’

Before entering into this topic, let’s back up a bit and start from a place where I can talk about my own experience so I can ease you into this mysterious saying.

In early 2020, my time in the morning of drinking of the Living Water<sup>1</sup> and feasting on the Living Bread<sup>2</sup> changed, and became a process of drawing life (abundant life<sup>3</sup>) from the Internal Kingdom.<sup>4</sup> This now refreshes me and energizes me for the day, something you’d expect from bread and water. It also stabilizes me and focusses me for the day – i.e. it keeps my mind on the King and the Kingdom, rather than the issues of my life.

All thoughts of Living Water and Living Bread as I used to think of them are fading and the life of the King is what I’m now receiving. This shift from bread and water to life, is what it’s really all about. Bread and water are allegories (pictures) from the natural which Jesus used to describe an activity in the spirit that we should do as spiritual beings. This’s no longer a mystery for me any more. Instead, it’s a mystical activity (one that’s a mystery<sup>5</sup> to those who don’t do it or don’t understand it).

This is the same for the allegory of the blood and body that Jesus referred to. We don’t really drink his blood<sup>6</sup> or eat his body<sup>7</sup>.<sup>8</sup> It’s an allegory about spiritual life, which is a ‘scaffold’ to build an understanding around. It’s definitely not transubstantiation – the bread doesn’t literally become Jesus’ body.<sup>9</sup>

Let’s have a look at what Jesus stated as recorded in John’s historical account:

**John 6:54-56** (NKJV) – *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<sup>10</sup> indeed, and My blood is drink<sup>11</sup> indeed. He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him.*

The Amplified translation inserts a number of implications to bring a better understanding:

**John 6:54-56** (AMP) – *The one who eats My flesh and drinks My blood [believes in Me, accepts Me as Savior] has eternal life [that is, now possesses it], and I will raise him up [from the dead] on the last day. For My flesh is true [spiritual] food, and My blood is true [spiritual] drink. He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood [believes in Me, accepts Me as Savior] remains in Me, and I [in the same way remain] in him.*

Of course the Amplified is interpreting the verses from a Christian perspective rather than a Kingdom perspective because that’s all the translators were savvy to.

The Passion Translation has it like this:

**John 6:54-56** (TPT) – *Eternal life comes to the one who eats my body and drinks my blood, and I will raise him up in the last day. For my body is real food for your spirit and my blood is real drink. The one who eats my body and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him.*

Brian Simmons (the author of The Passion Translation) includes this note about the passage:

“To eat his flesh is to take into our life by faith all that Jesus did for us by giving his body for us. To drink his

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1 – John 4:10

2 – John 6:51

3 – John 10:10

4 – Read: “Genuine Kingdom Life” [canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/MESSAGE-Genuine-Kingdom-Life-27-12-2019.pdf](http://canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/MESSAGE-Genuine-Kingdom-Life-27-12-2019.pdf)

5 – 1 Corinthians 4:1

6 – Mark 14:23-24

7 – Mark 14:22; Matthew 26:26

8 – John 6:54-56

9 – [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transubstantiation](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transubstantiation)

10 – NU ‘true food’

11 – NU ‘true drink’

blood is to take by faith all that the blood of Jesus has purchased for us. This “eating” and “drinking” is receiving the life, power, and virtue of all that Jesus is to replace all that we were in Adam. Jesus’ blood and body is the Tree of Life, which is offered to everyone who follows him.”<sup>12</sup>

What Jesus said was not strange to his hearers, just offensive. In ancient times, every one knew that the life of every being was in it’s blood. They had knowledge of this going right back to Noah. God had told him so and he taught it to everyone in his Noahide laws<sup>13</sup>. Here’s what Noah was told:

**Genesis 9:4** (NKJV) – *But you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood.*

The people Jesus was speaking to knew that life was in the blood because of their sacrificial system:

**Leviticus 17:11** (NKJV) – *For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood that makes atonement for the soul.’*

Brian Simmons notes this about ‘The one who eats my body and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him’:

“The Aramaic is 'He that eats my body and drinks my blood is strengthened in me and I in him'.”<sup>14</sup>

Jesus also stated this:

**John 6:53** (NKJV) – *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.”*

This is not about taking Holy Communion. This is about life in the spirit, just like drinking of the Living Water and feasting on the Living Bread. It’s about partaking of Jesus’ life and making it part of your life.

So, it’s not a mystery, really, it’s an allegory about how we are to live our life in his spiritual Kingdom.

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12 – [www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+6%3A54-56&version=TPT#fen-TPT-7670a](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+6%3A54-56&version=TPT#fen-TPT-7670a)

13 – [canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/The-Noahide-Laws.pdf](http://canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/The-Noahide-Laws.pdf)

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