#### **RCIA - Eucharist**

CCC 1323 - 1327 Source and summit Communion Bread of Heaven

CCC 1333 Is the body and blood of Jesus

CCC 1337

Out of love for them he instituted the holy Eucharist Making the 12 Priests to perpetuate his gift and sign of love Until he consummates time and ushers in the promised land

The ? Is not. What the church teaches.... It's why? Why would Jesus give us his flesh and blood as food? How can he do this?

The answer is found in our sin nature... Without His help it would be near impossible to get to the promised land

The divine meal plan. For the new exodus

Genesis 1:26-31 (RSVCE) :

26 Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." 27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. 28 And God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." 29 And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. 30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to every green plant for food." And it was so. 31 And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, a sixth day.

## Genesis 2:

[9] And out of the ground the LORD God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and **good for food, the tree of life** also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

# Genesis 3:

[22] Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of us, knowing good and evil; and now, **lest he put forth his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever**"

[23] therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from which he was taken.

Genesis 14:17–21 (RSVCE):

17 After his return from the defeat of Ched-or-laomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). 18 And **Mel-chizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. 19 And he blessed him and said,** 

"Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; 20 and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!" And Abram gave him a tenth of everything. 21 And the king of Sodom said to Abram, "Give me the persons, but take the goods for yourself."

Passover - Exodus 13

Lamb - no blemish - blood spread by Hyssop on Door Post - Eaten

Bitter waters made sweet by a tree - Exodus 15
Tree - The sweetness of suffering made perfect in the Cross!

Manna in the wilderness - Exodus 16 Complaining - about food Daily - Miracle from heaven Wafers - tasting like honey - foretaste of the promised land An omer - placed in a jar and put into the Ark - to be SEEN & Venerated Water from the Rock - Exodus 17 Strike the Rock - with the staff that struck the Nile - the Rock gives its water Standing - the Lord was there standing on the Rock Follows - Rock follows the people while on their journey - 1 Cor. 10:4 Do NOT strike twice - Moses is forbidden to enter the promised land - Numbers 20 Exodus 24:9–12 (RSVCE):

9 Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, 10 and they saw the God of Israel; and there was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. 11 And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

12 The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tables of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction."

They reject the Manna - Number 21

Snakes - are sent into the camp and folks are bitten (sin) Bronze Snake - is erected, folks look on, and are saved from the snake bite. Him to be sin who knew no sin - 2 Cor. 5:21

2 Samuel 6:18–19(RSVCE)

18 And when David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, 19 and distributed among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people departed, each to his house.

1 Kings 8: 65-66 (RSVCE)

[65] So Solomon held the feast at that time, and all Israel with him, a great assembly, from the entrance of Hamath to the Brook of Egypt, before the LORD our God, seven days.
[66] On the eighth day he sent the people away; and they blessed the king, and went to their homes joyful and glad of heart for all the goodness that the LORD had shown to David his servant and to Israel his people.

#### Jesus fulfills all of this

#### **Blessing them**

Luke 22:

[28] "You are those who have continued with me in my trials;

[29] and I assign to you, as my Father assigned to me, a kingdom,

[30] that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

#### Feeding them with bread and wine

Luke 22:

[19] And he took bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

[20] And likewise the cup after supper, saying, "This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."

### Sending them out....

Matthew 28:

[19] Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

[20] teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."

## Ok... but, does he really mean it...

John 6 starting in verse 25....

#### The point

You WANT the very life of GOD in you... Its the NEW Manna, come down from heaven Its the food for the journey on our Exodus to the Promised land Its the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world... Its the Fruit from the TREE of LIFE... that we may eat and have eternal life!