

SERVING COMMUNION IN YOUR GROUP

A great bonding experience for your group can be to share communion one of the weeks. It can be a spiritual and meaningful experience as you remember Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. It's not something you have to do, but it is something that can bring a special element to your time together. We encourage you to do it the last week of yur study series or after a month or so of meeting if you so choose.

To help you plan and prepare, check out the following info:

What is Communion?

It is a SIMPLE act, not an elaborate Ceremony. It's a REMINDER of what Jesus did and is a unifying part of Christian fellowship. You'll need to have some simple grape juice and enough bread or crackers available to serve as the Communion elements. Timberlake Church practices open communion and anybody who wants to participate can, though it has great meaning and value to those who have made a COMMITMENT to Jesus.

Suggested Format

Read the following words of Jesus from the Last Supper:

...The Lord Jesus on the night He was betrayed took bread and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said 'This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.'" In the same way, after supper, He took the cup, saying, "this cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me. 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. 1 Corinthians 11:26

Pass around the bread and juice and give people a moment of quiet personal prayer, then after a minute or so, take the elements together. End in a closing prayer of thanks to God for what He has done for you and for the group.