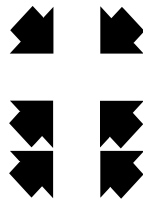


SOCIETY lived and died, never once in all their partaking of the emblems as Christ said to do discerned Christ's body because of the false teacher, the WATCHTOWER SOCIETY. Their eternal welfare was wrapped up in trusting this "prophet" organization of men. It should help others to question their trust and devotion in this WATCHTOWER SOCIETY.

Jesus said that "He was the bread of life" and "This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that ANYONE may eat of it and not die." He plainly said, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven, if anyone eats of this bread he will live forever and for a fact, the bread that I give is my flesh in behalf of the life of the world." He added:

Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood you have no life in you. He that feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has everlasting life and I shall resurrect him at the last day. He that feeds on me, even that one shall live because of me. He that feeds on this bread will live forever. (John 6:48 58).



NEW LIGHT MINISTRIES

*P.O. Box 670751
Marietta, GA 30066
<http://www.newlightministries.com>*

THE BREAD

For over 76 years, until, 1956, the WATCHTOWER SOCIETY taught that the "Body of Christ," from which the remnant "partake" yearly, was "eating of the loaf." They said this symbolized the "body of the 144,000," not the "body of Christ."

Note what they say in the January 1, 1951, WATCHTOWER, pages 48 50. After quoting Matthew 26:26 29,

.. As they were eating he took a loaf and after the blessing he broke it; then he gave it to his disciples saying, take and eat this, it means my body.

They also quote Paul's words at 1 Corinthians 10:14 17,

The loaf which we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ! Because there is one loaf, cue, although many, are in one body, for we all are partakers of one loaf. (All the above are from the NWT of the Holy Scriptures.)

Notice, Paul did not say we were the "one loaf" but partakers of that "one loaf."

This one fact escapes their attention. Note paragraph 20 of the same WATCHTOWER article,

From this inspired testimony it is evident that at the Memorial the Lord Jesus was referring to the congregation, which is his body. It is as Jesus said, my body, because God subjected all things under his feet and made him head over all things to the congregation which is his body, the fullness of him who fills up all things in all. (Ephesians 1:22,23).

They also quote 1 Corinthians 12:12 28,

Now you are Christ's body and members individually and God has set the respective ones in the congregation.....

Their conclusion is,

Hence, when a Christian is really devoted to God and eats the Memorial bread, he is thereby confessing that he is sharing in the body of Christ; He is a member of it. Has he glorified or exalted himself publicly to membership in the spiritual body of Christ! No, but he has met God's

requirements and he recognizes that God has set him in the body of Christ. This in itself rules out all the 'other sheep' from partaking of the Memorial emblems as they are not members of Christ's body.

To make sure everyone really understands, they say,

The Body of Christ was represented by the one loaf and the members of that spiritual body are all partaking of that one loaf. For that reason, there must be complete unity among them, for, we, although many, are one body. The basic thought of that last meal was oneness with Christ.

The March 15, 1954, WATCHTOWER, was again teaching that Christ was not referring to his fleshly body but to the Jehovah's Witness congregation of the remnant of the 144,000.

He took a loaf, and after saying a blessing, he broke it, and giving it to his disciples, he said, take, eat, this means my body. To which body was Jesus referring here? To his fleshly body? Hardly, for concerning it we read that not a bone was broken, whereas, Jesus broke the loaf. (John 19:36.) Rather, he was referring to his spiritual body, the Christian congregation.

This may have seemed a logical explanation to this "prophet of God" at the time. However, the loaf did not have a bone in it, but it represented his body, his flesh, which was torn for us. In an article, "The Crucifixion: A Medical View," by Dr. C. Truman Davis, the scourging inflicted upon Jesus before his crucifixion is explained this way:

Preparation for Jesus' scourging was carried out at Caesar's orders. The prisoner was stripped of his clothing and his hands tied to a post above his head. The Roman legionnaire stepped forward with the flagrum in his hand. This was a short whip, consisting of several heavy, leather thongs, with two small balls of lead attached near the ends of each. The heavy whip was brought down with full force again and again across Jesus' shoulders, back, and legs. At first the weighted thongs cut through the skin only. Then, as the blows continued, they cut deeper into the subcutaneous tissues, Producing first an oozing of blood from the capillaries and veins of the skin and finally spurting arterial bleeding from vessels in the underlying muscles. The small balls of lead first produced large deep bruises which were broken open by subsequent blows. Finally, the skin of the back was hanging in long ribbons, and the entire area was an unrecognizable mass of torn bleeding tissue.

Certainly this is a vivid and accurate description of Jesus' body, torn, as he tore the loaf, broken for us so that we might have a way to salvation.

Remember, for over 70 years Jehovah's Witnesses celebrated Memorial not discerning the body, the body of Jesus which he sacrificed.

Even in their MAKE SURE OF ALL THINGS book, which was printed in 1953, they quoted MATTHEW 26:26 and I CORINTHIANS 12:12 14,27, and under the subtitle it says: "Jesus referred to church with words, 'this is my body'.

The MAKE SURE OF ALL THINGS book printed in 1955 without an explanation had the subtitle, "Bread Represents Jesus Body of Flesh.

The January 15, 1956 WATCHTOWER, now fully convinced that the loaf really did represent his own fleshly body said,

His Body, yes, his own body, his whole body. Head and all, that he was to give for them. Jesus meant his own body, the body with which he associates his own blood when speaking of the cup.

How could this self acclaimed "faithful and discreet slave" the "true prophet" of God make such a glaring and serious mistake for over 75 years! This was no complicated teaching. Jesus dearly and simply stated that the loaf meant his body which was to be sacrificed in their behalf. So clear that even the so called "churches of Christendom" condemned as Babylon the Great by the Watchtower Society had this straight and never changed this teaching. It has always been Jesus fleshly body. Now they have "new light"? Remember, this was not a flexible teaching. Paul said clearly in 1 Corinthians 11:24 29,

For I received from the Lord that which I also handed onto you, that the Lord Jesus in the night in which he was going to be handed over, took a loaf and after giving thanks he broke it and said, this means my body which is in your behalf.....Keep doing this in remembrance of me.....for as often as you eat this loaf and drink this cup, you are proclaiming the death of the Lord until he arrives. Consequently, whoever eats the loaf and drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will be guilty respecting the body and the blood of the Lord. For he that eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment against himself if he does not discern the body.

All those many Jehovah's Witnesses who celebrated the Memorial for so many years did not correctly discern the body. God's Word says that heaped judgment upon themselves and what about the leaders, those who taught this doctrine for those many years, teaching such a serious error?

Remember, many of these misguided members of the WATCHTOWER