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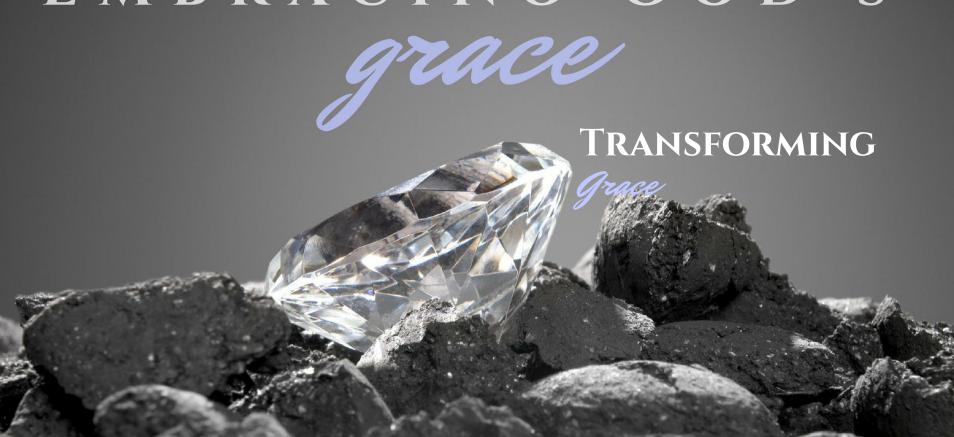
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# MB CONFESSION OF FAITH ARTICLE 9: LORD'S SUPPER

Leader:

Taste and see that the Lord is good!

Jesus says, "I am the bread of life.

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry.

Whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

#### All:

Listen! The Lord who fed the thousands on the hillside,
Who fed the twelve in the upper room—
Listen, He stands at the door and knocks;
If we hear His voice and open the door,

He will come in and eat with us.

#### Leader:

Jesus invites all His disciples to feast at this table.
All who are members of God's covenant family,
Living in obedience to God
And with integrity towards their spiritual brothers
and sisters,

Gather to celebrate their communion with Christ and each other.

#### All:

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us! Forgive our sins; Our pride and self-sufficiency, Our bitterness and division. Help us to examine ourselves, And give us the grace to repent.

#### All:

We will leave the gifts of our worship at the altar Until we have made right that which needs mending With You or in the church.

And then, O Lord, Your kindness and forgiveness will feed our very souls.

#### Leader:

On the night He was betrayed
The Lord Jesus took the bread,
Gave thanks, broke it, and said,
"This is my body, which is for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

#### All:

Father, we bless You for the bread, For the sign of Jesus' body, For His life of compassion And His example of humble service, This loaf unites us in the one Body, And strengthens us for ministry, Lord, remember Your Body, And deliver us from evil.

#### Leader:

In the same way, Jesus took the cup,
Blessed it, and said,
"This cup is the new covenant in my blood.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
In remembrance of me."

#### All:

Father, we bless You for the cup, For this sign of Jesus' shed blood, For His death on the cross And His sacrifice for sin. This cup welcomes us into a covenant of forgiveness, And promise us the riches of eternal life, For Christ, our Passover lamb, Has been sacrificed, And we have been brought over From death into life.

#### Leader:

As often as you do this, You proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.



