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26 Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body."

27 And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you,

28 for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Matthew 26:26—28 ESV

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- **Memorial View**  
The elements of communion are symbolic.

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For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

1 Corinthians 11:26 ESV

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Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

1 Corinthians 10:17 ESV

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29 For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.

1 Corinthians 11:29 ESV