

INTRODUCE

Good Morning Church! My name is Kyle Knight, if I haven't met you yet, I'm the Youth and Digital Minister here at Fathom Church as well as an Elder Candidate. Pastor Chris is on sabbatical for the summer, so today I'm up here to keep us going through the Gospel of Matthew.

So if you have your Bibles please go ahead and open them up to Matthew chapter 15. Open up a phone or tablet, or you can grab one of the black Bibles underneath each chair and open it up to page **821**. If you're online with us you can click the Bible tab and it'll open up for you. Matthew 15 is where we are going to be this morning.

INTRODUCTION

But, I've got to say Happy Father's Day to all the dads out there! Make sure on your way out you grab a root beer for yourself, grab the kids one too and share that as you leave here and go

- mow the lawn or
- grill some meat or
- watch golf or
- just go and *rest your eyes* a little bit...

Whatever dad thing you do, take a root beer and enjoy it, on us!

And because it's Father's Day I thought I would just start out this morning with a few Dad jokes...is that ok?

I mean, I am a Dad and so I do love Dad jokes.

So, humor me ok? Ok.

DAD JOKES

1. I'm afraid for the calendar. *It's days are numbered.*
2. I only know 25 letters of the alphabet. *I don't know y.*
3. What concert costs just 45 cents? *50 Cent featuring Nickelback.*
4. I'm on a seafood diet. *I see food and I eat it.*
5. My wife just told me I was average, *I think she's mean.*
6. I said my New Year's resolution is to use my Velcro wall more. *I'm sticking to it.*
 - a. *I'm just kidding. I hate Velcro, it's a total rip off!*
7. What's brown and sticky? *A stick.*

Of Course! Come on now. What else would it be?!

TRANSITION

So it is Father's Day, and usually as a preacher when you are giving a message on a holiday you would love to just preach about that holiday, you'd love to just pick a different text anywhere in scripture that sort of fits with the day and just do a Fathers Day message.

We could talk about our heavenly Father, and our earthly Fathers, and even what it looks like to be a Father in this world according to the scriptures...

However, here at Fathom Church we preach through the text that we are already in.

We do what is called *Expository Preaching* which is preaching through books of the Bible, chapter by chapter, verse by verse. We don't usually like to skip around, and we rarely preach what is called *Topical Preaching*, which is having sort of a theme or topic for a series for a few weeks or so at

a time and therefore sort of jumping around all over the scriptures to find verse that go with the topic of the series.

We don't really do that here,

So, because of that, we are in the Gospel of Matthew still, and today we are going to keep plugging along and continue where we left off last week when Justin was up here giving us the message.

And a little bit about today's section of text...

If you were here about a month ago, the last time I was up here I preached on a section of Matthew chapter 14 that was only 3 verses long and dealt with Jesus healing people...

And today...

On Father's Day...

We are going to be looking at 3 verses...

About Jesus healing people...again.

So, if you missed my last sermon about a month ago, you're in luck!

Because I'm just going to preach the exact same sermon I did up here back in May!

(actually totally kidding)

Not kidding that we will be looking at three verses in chapter 15 that deal with Jesus healing people again. But of course when we're going through scripture there's always something new to get out of the text...AND this passage, even though it is only three verses in dealing with Jesus

healing people, it is different from that last passage that we talked about a month ago. These are completely different events, different circumstances.

So, this won't be the same sermon!

I'm also kidding a little bit that this won't necessarily be a Father's Day message. Because even though these three verses we're going to cover this morning focus on Jesus and his miracles of healing more people, and this is just the next section in Matthew we are studying...

It just so happens that after studying and studying these 3 little verses, I believe that what we can learn from Jesus here are attributes and characteristics of our Heavenly Father at work with his children.

It honestly just sort of worked out in a way that we can see all over these three verses, Jesus taking on the role of a father to his children. And hopefully, wherever each of us are at in our lives right now and in our relationships with our heavenly father...

We will see how much he cares and loves us in this passage about him performing more miracles and healing his people, his children.

So let's get to it. And let's read more about Jesus performing miracles during his ministry here on the earth. *(9min)*

MATTHEW 15:29-31

So, let's go ahead and read our three verses and go through these together.

Matthew 15:29-31

[29] Jesus went on from there and walked beside the sea of Galilee. And he went up on the mountain and sat down there. [30] And great crowds came to him, bringing with them the lame, the blind, the crippled, the mute, and many others, and they put them at his feet, and he healed them, [31] so that the crowd wondered, when they saw the mute speaking, the crippled healthy, the lame walking, and the blind seeing. And they glorified the God of Israel.

JESUS TEACHING

All right. So hopefully right off the bat you can see some similarities and differences between these three verses on Jesus healing, and the healing he did back in chapter 14.

So let's go through this and start with the first part.

CONTEXT

A little context with where we're at...

Right now we are seeing Jesus sort of right in the middle of his earthly ministry.

The last few weeks we have seen Jesus get into it a little with the Pharisees, as they accused his disciples of being unclean.

We saw Jesus speak about traditions and really what is in the heart of a person that matters most.

And then we saw Jesus heal a Canaanite woman's daughter last week after he saw the faith of that woman who came to him, kneeling before him, and crying out for healing for her daughter.

Now as Jesus leaves the area that he was in the last few weeks up north, He makes his way back down south towards the sea of Galilee but this time, unlike the last time he healed the sick that people brought to him, he is now on the east side of the sea of Galilee close to a place called Decapolis.

Decapolis meaning 10 cities. In the greek *Deca* meaning 10, and *polis* meaning cities.

So just southeast of the Sea of Galilee.

So Jesus gets to this area and it says he went up on a mountain and sat down there.

Now, if we just move on from there we are missing something! This is a small but important observation here as we see Jesus walking up to the top of the mountain, or possibly just a big hill, as we here in Colorado would probably see it. And it says he sat down there.

JESUS SITS ON A MOUNTAIN

This is important because of the significance of Jesus going to a high place, away from everything else, on top of a big hill, and sitting down because...

This was the posture the rabbis, the teachers of those days, would take when teaching. When a rabbi or teacher was about to teach, or preach

to a crowd, they would normally be seated while everyone else listening to this teacher would either be sitting up nice and close or standing up around them.

Sort of a bit backwards from what we do, right?

Like right now I am the only one standing up here, even up on a stage, teaching to all of you who are seated out there listening to me. And that is what we see for the most part in almost every modern church, right? The pastor or preacher is usually up where everyone can see him and everyone else just sort of sits around him or sits in front of him.

Obviously we see this not just in the church right? We really see this when anyone is speaking to a crowd, or an audience, we see that person is usually standing and everyone else is seated around them so that they can all see the teacher and the teacher can sort of teach over them.

But back then, people would want to as they say “sit at the feet” of Jesus.

An early second-century rabbi Yose ben Yoezer had this to say about the practice of a rabbi sitting down to teach and those around him sitting and standing learning at the feet of a rabbi. He wrote:

“Let your house be a meeting place for the rabbis, and cover yourself in the dust of their feet, and drink in their words thirstily.”¹

Now again, this might seem like not much of a big deal here in this section of verses but I do believe it's very important in understanding what Jesus

came to do and it shows what type of Father Jesus came to be to his children.

You see, this first verse, Jesus' posture he takes up on a hill as a crowd begins to gather around him, shows us that we need to always remember that Jesus came to teach us! No just to heal us.

So even though these three verses are about Jesus healing people, the subheading for the section even just says *Jesus Heals Many*.

This first verse shows us that in the middle of Jesus's ministry here on earth as he's performing miracles and healing everyone and walking on water and calming storms, he still goes to a high place, and takes the posture of a rabi, of a teacher.

He sits down.

He still wants to teach his children.

He still understands the importance of guiding his flock.

And when it comes to looking at Jesus as our Heavenly Father, We see here Jesus always putting teaching his children at a high importance. And for us we need that reminder that our father is always teaching us.

SLIDE: OUR FATHER TEACHES

You know theologians and scholars write in their commentaries about this passage calling it sort of the second *Sermon on the Mount*, Which we

saw back in Matthew chapters 5-7, Where Jesus got up on the mountain and taught

- About The Beatitudes
- About Anger
- About Divorce
- About loving your enemies
- And giving to the poor
- And fasting
- And storing up treasures in heaven
- And the Golden Rule

And so on.

That was the Sermon on the Mount, and here...again...

Jesus is taking the posture of a teacher first...

BEFORE he went on to heal them all!

He sat down to teach,

And they like to call this moment, the *Healing on the Mount*.

Makes sense, right?

But we see here that Jesus probably had something to teach them first.

Our Father wants to teach us.

And we should learn from him.

We should be eager to come around him and hear what he has to say.

(18min)

EXAMPLE:

I've been trying to teach my son, you know the things that every Dad tries to teach their son, trying to raise up my kids right, trying to teach my son how to be a boy...

- How to have manners
- How to hit a baseball, how to catch a baseball
- How to treat ladies, how to treat everyone
- How to meet new people

But lately I've been learning that my boy doesn't necessarily like to be taught by me...I mean he's at that age, right.
He's kind of at the know it all stage.

For example, I said this in another sermon a while ago but we used to have an "Actually" kid. You know, the kid that no matter what you say they fire back with, "*Well, actually...that's not right*" or "*Actually it's not that, it's...*"
You know, the *actually* kid.

But lately he's been a little more, let's just say direct, in telling me that I am wrong instead of softening the blow a little with starting his response with "*Actually*"...

Lately it's been more of a "No Dad, that's not it...it's_____"

And the kicker is this usually comes after he has just asked me a question.
Parents, you know what I mean.

It's the...

“Hey dad, what are the...?”

A legitimate question I think.

And I answer “Oh those are...”

And he quickly fires back with, “No, those are...”

I'm like, *well that's definitely wrong...but also, why'd you ask then if you think you know the answer?*

It's like he asks a question...but doesn't actually want to hear the answer...or really doesn't want to be taught the right answer, he just thinks he knows it all already. We've all been there right?

Or then you have my 18 month old daughter who no matter what I try teacher her, her response is her favorite word...NO.

“Caroline, don't turn your bottle upside down in the carseat over you...you'll spill it!”

NO

(and now it's turned into a very dramatic NOOOOOOO every single time.)

It's her favorite word right now.

Sometimes my own kids don't like learning things from their dad.

And as their dad, it's frustrating when they either don't care what you have to say or they say you're wrong no matter what, or they just yell NO at you...

And honestly as a dad, many times I'm throwin in the towel.

I'm like, I'm done.

Whatever, you don't really want to know what those _____ are for?

Fine, I'm done.

APPLICATION

You see church, this can apply to us, right?

Sometimes we're like that with our Father.

Sometimes we forget that Jesus just wants to sit down with us and teach us...that he actually has so much to teach us.

Sometimes we don't see that he has taken the posture of a teacher and he's ready to give us wisdom and something that we need to learn or need to hear...

Sometimes we feel like we know the right answer already.

Sometimes we hear or read what Jesus has to teach us and we say,
"No that's not right...I know what's right...I know the right way to do that...No you're wrong Jesus."

And sometimes we don't want to hear it. And we just say No. And even yell back at him NOOOOO.

And hear this...

Sometimes we just want to move on to what Jesus can do for us.

We've come to him because we need something that he can do for us,

and sometimes he wants to teach us something first, he's ready to give us truth, ready to speak to us, ready to teach us something important...

But we don't like to be taught, and therefore we want to move on to what Jesus can do for me!

"Thanks Jesus but I don't wanna hear that right now...I actually just really need you to _____"

And that's what we see happens next here as this is a "Healing Section"... But we miss it that Jesus wants to tell us something!

Well, but I already know what he's gonna say...

I already know the answer he's gonna give me...

I don't need you to teach me anything Jesus I already know!

I actually came to you cause I need you to fix something for me.

We sometimes forget that we have a Father who teaches us! And who wants to teach us!

And sure he's come to help us...

But even before Jesus shows us what he's about to do, he's sitting down saying, "I want to teach you everything!"

"I have something so good I want to tell you!"

"Will you listen?"

"Are you willing to be taught by me?"

We have a Father that is ready to teach us...

But are we ready to hear what he has to say?

Or do we just want something else from him?

Jesus goes to the top of this mountain and he sits there.

He wants to teach these people.

He's a Father who Teaches us.

(25.5min)

TRANSITION

Now here in Matthew it moves on pretty quickly. It doesn't tell us what Jesus could have taught this crowd.

But we can learn more about this event in the other gospel accounts and from what theologians have researched about this event in Jesus' ministry. 3 days up on this mountain.

Meaning that when Jesus went up to this mountain and sat down to teach this crowd AND do miraculous healings for them, this all lasted about 3 days.

Sure, could Jesus have just been healing for three days straight, yeah he totally could've. But the fact that this healing event starts out with Jesus taking the posture of a teacher first, we can assume that Jesus wasn't just doing healing there on that mountain for 3 days.

Jesus was a teacher.

And a Father who wants so badly to teach his children.

And so he was teaching. Everywhere he went.

Our Father Teaches us.

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MATTHEW 15:29-31

Let's keep going.

And he went up on the mountain and sat down there. [30] And great crowds came to him, bringing with them the lame, the blind, the crippled, the mute, and many others, and they put them at his feet, and he healed them,

TRANSITION

And just like back in chapter 14 when we read about when Jesus showed up the crowds brought everyone to Jesus who is in need of healing, we see here as well in verse 30 that the great crowd around him came to him bringing to him everyone who is in need of healing!

And here we specifically see the examples of some of the healing that was needed from Jesus. Matthew gives us examples of the crowds bringing the lame, bringing the blind, bringing the crippled, bringing the mute, and also many many others to Jesus...

And putting them at his feet!

Laying them down at the feet of Jesus the Messiah, the one who came to heal.

JESUS WAS APPROACHABLE

And now there's something very important that we need to know here of how Matthew wrote this...

As this huge crowd is bringing all these people that need healing and laying them at Jesus's feet in the next four words it says

“and he healed them”

There was no delay.

There was no other response from Jesus.

There was no pushback from Jesus.

There was no look of disgust on Jesus's face.

There was no waiting list.

There was no *Take a Number*.

There was no *I'm too busy, come back later*.

It says as many that were brought in and laid at Jesus's feet...

He healed them. Period.

The second point I want to make here...

As we can see some of the characteristics of our Heavenly Father at work in these verses...

We see that not only does our Father want to teach us and we need to sit down and hear what he has to say...

We see that when we are in need, our Father is Approachable.

SLIDE: OUR FATHER IS APPROACHABLE

There's no pushback from Jesus here. Even with the size of the crowds that were always gathered around him, Jesus never pushes someone away.

And we even see that from some of the Disciples scattered throughout these miracles and when a crowd is all around Jesus, they're the ones that are like

"Eh...no. Send that person away Jesus."

"Whoa chill out everyone. There's just way too many people here."

"Let's just send them home."

No matter what it is that is ailing these people, no matter what sickness or disease is ravishing their bodies, no matter how much these people are probably isolated and pushed away by the society around them, by their families, by their friends...

They can approach Jesus in their time of need.

They never feel like the Messiah is too above them to be accepted by him. Jesus is approachable.

(30.5min)

ILLUSTRATION: MY WIFE

If you know my wife Jackie, you know that she is one of the most intimidating people...

And, if you really know my wife you know that that is a complete lie.

My wife has this knack of being one of the easiest people to approach and talk to. It's just who she is. I don't get it.

It's evident here at church if you've ever seen her in the hallway or seen her walk in, she just has this vibe about her.

Maybe it's her smile or something.

Her positive attitude all the time.

But she just gives off this vibe that you can talk to her. *(and yes this is just me bragging about my wife here for a second.)*

We always kind of joke about this together like it's hard for us to really go out anywhere without her like making a connection with someone.

Like just smiling at someone and them smiling back and starting up a conversation with them just out of the blue, like complete strangers too.

But for real, we always joke because especially with kids, she just gives off this vibe about her that just makes her so approachable and kids feel so comfortable smiling at her and waving to her and they're like drawn to her. It must be the kindergarten teacher in her or something...

But we could be at a place like Disney World,

And kids will just be walking by her and smiling up at her and waving and she'll bend down and just talk to them like in line for a ride or something and say hi...

I mean and I'm just like...

"Hey Kid, You know like Mickey Mouse is like right there and you are like walking up to my wife and saying hi???"

It's crazy.

It's crazy because I don't give off that vibe at all I don't think.

I give off more of the *"I'm just here...nope I don't wanna talk...keep moving...respectfully."*

But my wife is just so approachable and comfortable to people. And I know I joke about it a lot, but it's awesome!

It's awesome that people feel like she's a safe person to go to.

That they could walk right up to her and talk to her.

That they feel like they could have a deep conversation with her right as they meet her.

It's awesome to see how approachable she is.

Now Transitioning from my wife to Jesus now...(funny)

These people just bring everyone right to Jesus's feet.

And he accepts them as they are.

He's open to them. He's inviting.

I can picture Jesus with just this huge smile on his face.

No qualifications.

No need to take a number.

No need to feel any shame or discomfort.

Jesus is approachable.

Jesus isn't like some celebrity who feels like he's above everyone else.

We can come to him as we are, and lay down at his feet, and he takes us!

(Pause)

We not only have a Father who wants to teach us things...

We also have a Father who is approachable no matter what we've got going on.

APPLICATION

You got stuff in your life that you feel is just too bad or too big to bring to Jesus?

You think whatever you have going on he isn't going to accept you, invite you to lay it down at his feet? To come to him?

Are you too scared to bring these things to him because you feel like he might judge you? Not accept you and your sickness? Like he might just reject you?

Church, Jesus is sitting there right in front of you with arms wide open waiting for you to come to his feet and bring whatever it is you have going on to him...

Do you feel like you can?

We don't have to go through other things to get to him.

He's saying *I'm here, come to me. Come right up to me!*

We serve a God who is approachable, who we can come to, who has made himself available to our needs.

And that's my next point...

Not only is our Father approachable.

Our Father meets our needs.

SLIDE: OUR FATHER MEETS OUR NEEDS

He meets our needs.

He heals our sickness.

He takes away our pain.

He meets us wherever we are in need.

And all he's asking is for you to come to him.

We have a Father who is approachable.

A Father you can feel comfortable going to.

AND...

Let's not forget that once we go to him,

We have a Father who there's nothing too big for him to deal with.

A Father who can and will handle...

- your sickness,
- your shame,
- your guilt,
- your anxiety,
- your depression,
- your pain,
- your hurt.

There's nothing too big for him!

Bring it all to him!

Cry out to him!

He will hear those cries and meet you wherever you need!

ILLUSTRATION: CHILD'S PAIN

I feel this in a fraction of the sense when I'm at work,
And my wife will text me a video of my daughter at home,
And she tells me she's having a bad day,
She just fell down and scraped her knee,
And all she's been saying is "*My Daddy*", "*My Daddy*"

So she'll send me a video of her, tears in her eyes, just saying "*My Daddy*",
"*My Daddy*".

And man that's something that makes me want to just get in my car and
race home as fast as I can.

And when I get home from work I come through the door and she just runs
to me...

She does that awkward 18 month old run...

But she runs to me crying saying "*My Daddy*", "*My Daddy*"
And I just scoop her up in my arms and hold her tight.

You know I don't necessarily know exactly what she needs but I know that she needs her dad.

I mean there's not much I could do with a scraped knee, I can put a bandaid on it.

I can't heal her.

I'm not a miracle worker.

I so wish I could though!

I wish I could heal up any scrape she gets.

Or make all of her tears instantly go away.

Oh how I wish I could do that for my kids!

But I can't.

But Jesus can. He did then. And he continues to.

and they put them at his feet, and he healed them, [31] so that the crowd wondered, when they saw the mute speaking, the crippled healthy, the lame walking, and the blind seeing.

Jesus was the miracle worker.

They came running to him.

With tears in their eyes.

Hurting.

In pain.

And He healed them. Period.

He scooped them up in his arms.

- He made the mute speak,
- he made the crippled healthy again,
- he made the lame walk again and probably jump for joy right on outta there!
- He made the blind see!

(39min)

PARALLELED IN MARK 7

What's really cool about this event, I mentioned it a little earlier, we also see this event in Mark's Gospel as well.

But unlike here in Matthew's Gospel, Mark actually makes it a point to single out a specific healing, to go into more detail one time to show Jesus meeting someone's need in a powerful powerful way.

Here is this same event told in Mark chapter 7, verses 32-35
I'll put it up on the screen so you can see it.

SLIDE: **MARK 7:32-35**

[32] And they brought to him a man who is deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. [33] And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers in his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. [34] And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." [35] And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly.

SLIDE: OUR FATHER MEETS OUR NEEDS

These people had needs.

They needed to be healed.

They needed to see again.

They needed to walk.

They needed to sing with joy!

And Jesus met them right where they were and took care of their needs.

Period.

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1. We have a Father who is ready to teach us what we need to know.
2. We have a Father who is so easily approachable with anything that we have to lay at his feet.
3. And we have a Father who meets every single need that we have, no matter how great of a need it is.

FINAL APPLICATION

And what should our response to this be? Church

How should we respond to our Father with all of this?

He's saying Ok,

Listen to my teachings.

- “Sure, Jesus, teach me. I want to know your ways. I want to learn from you. I want to dive into your word and store these things in my heart! I want to know you more and more deeply.”

Ok, come to me.

- “Jesus, I'm bringing you all my junk. Here it is. I'm finally willing to give it to you, to lay it all at your feet. I'm trying to approach your throne and give these things to you! Please take these things from me!”

Ok, now let me meet you where you are, let me heal you of these things.

- “Ok Jesus. This is me. This is where I'm at. This is what I need your help with. Please help me Father!”

Then our response, just like the crowd that Jesus was teaching and healing, needs to be what?

Praise!

“the crowd wondered, when they saw the mute speaking, the crippled healthy, the lame walking, and the blind seeing.

AND THEY GLORIFIED THE GOD OF ISRAEL.

You see, Miracles are intended to always point us to glorifying our Father!

That is what the purpose of a miracle is.

To point everyone to Jesus, and to Glorify our Father in Heaven!

These miracles that Jesus performed were just to point and direct everyone to God!

And this is what these people did.

So our response to this needs to be PRAISING GOD for what he has done!

You see, I'm sure some of the people in this crowd of thousands and hundreds of thousands that were being healed by Jesus that day, I'm sure some of them got their healing and left.

Got what they needed from Jesus and just went away.

And I think that's what we do sometimes too.

We believe we have a Father that is approachable and meets our needs and we go to him with our needs.

And he meets them, and even exceeds them.

And then we turn around and leave.

We got what we wanted, we turn around and leave.

And I think sometimes we forget what our response *needs* to be after we encounter our Heavenly Father.

And I am so glad that Matthew made sure to tag this on to the very end of the story with that one little sentence...

AND THEY GLORIFIED THE GOD OF ISRAEL.

LYRICS SLIDE W/PADS

CONCLUSION

So, church

Maybe this Father's Day really isn't a big deal for you. And we know and we understand, just like Mother's Day, this can be either the best day for some people or it could be the worst day for some people, depending on your situation with your earthly father.

But praise God we have a Heavenly Father that is willing to

- Take the time to sit down and teach us his word and truth.
- A Heavenly Father that is always waiting, with open arms, ready for us to fall at his feet, accepting us just the way we are.
- Praise God for a Heavenly Father that meets us right where we're at. That there's nothing too big that he can't handle. And he heals us of our hurts and our pains even today.
- A Heavenly Father that deserves our praise!

Let us go to him.

Let us learn from him.

Let us be healed by him.

And let's praise him!

Let's pray! **LYRICS SLIDE W/PADS**

RESPONSES:

Well, every week at Fathom we respond in 4 ways:

- COMMUNION – THE LORD’S SUPPER (we do this every week, and we ask if you are not a Christian joining us to just abstain from communion. We are so glad you’re here and you are welcome here but we believe communion is for those who have put their life in Jesus Christ).
- GIVING TITHES & OFFERINGS – fathomchurch.org/give (also if this is not your home church than don’t feel obligated to give at all, just be our guest today)
- PRAYER - fathomchurch.org/prayer
- SINGING

So, I’m going to read the Words of Institution from the Apostle Paul, we’ll take communion, and then we’ll sing:

1 CORINTHIANS 11:23–26 – WORDS OF INSTITUTION

[23] For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, [24] 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.” **TAKE**

[25] In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” **TAKE**

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

Love you church, let's stand and sing together.

1. Pirke Avot 1:4.