

# Cup to Crown- What are you drinking

## Sermon Notes

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**\*Illustration-** The many cups you drink from.

Jesus' entire mission was planned for and with the purpose of drinking from a particular cup. This cup would be the death of him, but a cup of life for us. In journeying to that cup he modeled a life that this cup would enable us to live. Without drinking of this cup we stand condemned.

## Pray

**This cup was a cup where people will thirst again. John 2:1-11**

- Mom did not take “no” for an answer. (3-5)
- People are thirsty...reputation and pleasing others are the driver.
- He provides the drink, and it is a drink of excellence.
- They will be thirsty again.

**Satisfying thirsty souls must be the right cup and at the right time. (4)**

- John 7:6** Jesus refusing to go to Jerusalem.
- John 7:8** Not time yet to go to die.
- John 8:20** God protects Jesus from being killed because it was not time yet.

**The cup of living water comes to those who given their hearts to Jesus.**

**John 4:1-14**

- It is a necessary cup for those who are being saved. **John 6:53-54**
- This living water is the Holy Spirit. **John 7:37-39**
  - It is a cup we drink.
- Never thirst again.
- It is like a spring of water with constant supply. **[Our cabin—we depend on it; Lititz Springs we marvel]**
- Given unto eternal life.

**The ministry of living water flowing from the spring within you.**

- Mark 9:41** *“Truly I tell you, anyone who gives you a **cup** of water in my name because you belong to the Messiah will certainly not lose their reward.”*

- **Matthew 10:42** *“And if anyone gives even a **cup** of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward.”*

### **The cup of crowns comes at great cost. Matthew 20:20-28**

- Drinking of this cup is not easy.
- Those who follow Jesus will drink this cup.
- To serve and not be served—an emptying of oneself.
- It is a cup of covenant that will cost His life for the ransom of many.

### **The cup of living water requires drinking the cup of covenant (blood).**

**1 Corinthians 11:24-26** *“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.”<sup>25</sup> 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.”<sup>26</sup> For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.”*

**Ephesians 1:13-14** *“And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit,<sup>14</sup> who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God’s possession—to the praise of his glory.”*

### **Now is the time...Jesus has come to Jerusalem to drink of the cup. John 12:12-16**

#### ***Do you thirst for living water where you will never thirst again? Come to the King!***

- Drink from his cup giving up yourself.
  - The Simple Gospel

**Romans 10:9-10** *“If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.<sup>10</sup> For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.”*

- Drink anew with life from the Spirit.

### **Pray**

***Today, we remember that Jesus entered Jerusalem preparing for his crown by drinking of a cup that will be for the ransom of many. We celebrate him as king!***