I. Review

As you know we have been coming through Psalms and we came to Psalms 14:1 where we ran headlong into one of the greatest verses in the Bible. Everybody that is a Christian whether you are really active in your faith or you are just standing on the promises, you are going to run into this. Psalms 14:1 says the fool has said in his heart that there is no God. Up to now as we have been coming through Psalms 14:1 we have been dealing with questions that fools will ask you. We have been going into detail, showing you how to answer a fool. You answer them according to his folly. But also show you how each question that they ask, even though on the surface it looks like it's not much; each one of them have a real depth to them that you can really get an understanding of how the word of God goes together.

Now we know that fools will be found in two different categories. Fools that are unsaved and fools that are unfortunately saved. The unsaved fools will be the skeptics, the agnostics and the atheists. The saved fools will be people who simply don't know anything about the Bible. They are really caught up in whatever happens. Both are void of understanding. It is no accident that when we got into this that we also started our specialized class for the patterns of people's lives. I have my own notebook, and you all have yours. In mine contains all your names. We have one hundred and seventeen people who have decided to work with me in the ministry of learning all the ins and outs with people. I pray for all of you on this list every day. I watch out for you and try to give you as much help and support as I can. But I have a verse that I remember each day before I pray for you and it is found in 2 Corinthians 11:1-3.

Paul when he looked at the church at Corinth, he wanted that church to be dialed into the word of God. He started that church, and he loved that church. The church of Corinth is probably the most problematic church in the New Testament. In 1 Corinthians they are really messed up in just about everything. At some point they turn the corner and then Paul writes 2 Corinthians. To me it is probably the greatest book in the Bible on the handbook of ministry. Chapter by chapter he deals with issues that are very important. When he came to 2 Corinthians 11 Paul understood what his people would be up against when you decide to get involved in ministry. When you learn how to do what God saved you for and invest your life into other people. He knew there would be an attack, and people would fall by the wayside. When he started out in Chapter 11 he said:

1 Would to God ye could bear with me a little in [my] folly: and indeed bear with me.

He said, just listen to me and what I have to say. Then he said in verse 2

2 For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present [you as] a chaste virgin to Christ.

3 But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

That was Paul's burden when he looked at the church that he started at Corinth. For the one hundred and seventeen people, that is my prayer for you every day. That you stay with it. Most of you will make it. I cannot tell you the level that this brings our church to in being able to work with me and ministry. **Because the ministry is people!**

I have said it many times. There are only two things worth investing in your life in if you are a child of God. One is the word of God and the other is the souls of men. We don't have a choir, or a praise band or a rock band for Jesus. That is not the kind of rock we are going to talk about today. We have one thing here and that is the Bible and that is all we need. Most churches have to have all that fluff stuff because they don't have the Bible anymore. We don't need that stuff because we have the Bible. You know that having the Bible and having the right Bible doesn't automatically guarantee that you are going to do what God wants you to do. The job of the church is to train you. The job of a pastor is to train you. The pastor's job is you.

You know my goal for you, for anybody that is part of this church is to lay all of this out for you. Not just what we are going through on Sunday mornings, but also what we are dealing with in our patterns class. Our Bible boot camp for people to learn how to work with people. My goal is twofold, **one** for you to have a depth in your life and understand so well what the word of God does and how to use and apply it that God can drop you in any situation. A lot of you are there right now. The **second** one is for you to see that each one of these questions may look simple on the surface, but each one will have an incredible study come out of it to teach you a Biblical truth. I want God to be able to look at you, take you and use you however He needs.

Stories, Legends and Artifacts

Last week we saw how the world and religion will take and manipulate events and artifacts of history that are connected to the Bible and give them some religious significance. People who don't know anything about the Bible or anything about life get caught up in that. They actually think that there is some kind of spiritual significance to all that when there is not. They will ignore the Biblical context, and they will develop their own legends and put forth their own ideas.

Last week we looked at the concept that you are going to get asked about, movies were made about and that is the Holy Grail. We know that as the cup that Jesus drank from at the Last Supper. We talked about the lance of Longinus and how the Catholic church has that in the Vatican. That is the spear that supposedly went into the side of Jesus. Then we talked about the Ark of the Covenant. I showed you how that was a central focus of Israel in the Old Testament.

These are all real artifacts but other than the Ark, the other two are just worthless. The grail and the lance mean absolutely nothing to anybody. The Ark of the Covenant is up in heaven, and I showed you why it went up there, why it is there.

As we looked at the questions in the next section, we looked at the confrontation that Moses had with Pharaoh back in the first 12 chapters of Exodus. That was the second question that we dealt

with the fact that the completely erroneous to what the real context is going on. It showed you that somebody had no idea what was taking place. I showed you the whole picture of God's formulation of Israel and their calling out.

The Old Testament is built around 5 concepts of the nation of Israel

- 1.) Formulation
- 2.) Calling Out
- 3.) Establishment
- 4.) Demise
- 5.) Captivity

In Exodus with Moses and Pharoh we looked at the first two; formulation and the calling out. I wanted you to see and understand this. This question is so shallow when somebody asks it because they really don't have any understanding.

But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know [them], because they are spiritually discerned. 1Corinthians 2:14

But the question leads to an incredible application for your life of how the devil wants to get us to compromise. I told you last week that the devil's main plan is if he can't get you in hell, and you get saved, the next thing he will do is he will get you to compromise. He never wants you to be everything that God wants you to be. Many of God's people have been compromised in their Christian faith. They go to church on Sunday morning, Sunday night and Wednesday night and everything else. But they don't ever do anything and that is a problem throughout Christianity.

I showed you four ways the devil tried to get Israel to compromise:

- 1.) When Moses wanted to let my people go, he said we've got to go three days out of Egypt to make our sacrifice unto the Lord. <u>I showed you how that is a picture that you can't have one foot in the world and one foot in Christianity and be able to do anything for God.</u>
- 2.) Pharoh says okay, if you want to go make your sacrifice, you can go but then he tries to get them to make the wrong sacrifice.
- 3.) Pharoh says okay you can go but just don't go too far. Don't go overboard with this.
- 4.) Pharoh says okay you can go but leave your kids with me.

This is the exact same format that he will use today. As I have said many times, the more some things change, the more some things stay the same and that is an incredible principle in life. You are going to see as you deal with people, saved people that God was knocking on their door, they weren't doing what they needed to do, and God came down and knocked on their front door with some issue or problem that everybody around them would see that they were not doing right. This is part of the chastisement that the Bible talks about. Their life is in disaster mode, but they never change. They go through it and six months later they are right back where they were before. It is a pattern that you see over and over again. When you work with people you are going to see the same deception and compromise with God's people in Christianity that you saw in Israel. You will see it with the Bible. People will compromise the Bible. You will see it with

the ministry. People will compromise the ministry. You will see it in churches. Pastors will compromise their church and their people. We see it has destroyed the body of Christ. The problem is no one seems to care.

In our Patterns Class we talked last time about the Jonah principle. I showed you that Jonah is a great example of God's people that you will work with. The whole world is going to hell around him and Jonah goes down and gets a ship going in the wrong direction. While the world is collapsing around him and the people in Nineveh are dying and going to hell he goes down into the belly of that ship and falls asleep. God's people just don't care today.

Let's tell them there is no hurry. The devil says that is it. You want to damn people's souls to hell and guarantee they wind up in the lake of fire, just get God's people to live their lives like there is no hurry. That is modern day Christianity today. That is where God's people are at.

II. Drinking & the SUPPOSED Justification of it Among God's People – Question #19

This one will be right up there at the top of the list. I want you to understand with the patterns and these questions that are all based on Psalms 14:1 that the fool has said in his heart that there is no God. My goal is for you to have a good solid base of biblical principles to work off of. I call these principles of action. This one will be the age-old issue that you are going to come up against with people on this issue about drinking and the justification for it among God's people. A while back I did a complete study on this and it is in the bookstore, called, The Devil's Bottle, on the Record. I not going to get into it in this detail but if you really want to get it down that book is in the bookstore. Here is what you will hear, and it is everywhere today. Christ drank wine and even Christ turned the water to wine at the wedding in Cana in John 2. So, Christians want to take the idea that it's okay for them to drink wine or alcohol because Jesus did.

I heard a message from a pastor here in Kansas City a while back and he told his people from the pulpit that it was okay to drink. He said that drinking alcoholic beverages falls into three categories. You have social drinking, which is what everybody in this church did. You will have moderate to heavy drinking, which count on it, some of his people in his church did. Then you have the third one, which was alcoholics where the people were severely addicted to alcohol. He told them that as long as you stay in number one where you just socially drink, it's okay based on Jesus drinking wine in the Bible. I watched how this developed and I saw the exact same thing when marijuana was legalized.

Let's take for instance that you are a pastor, and you take the position that it is okay for your people to drink. Can you imagine how almost impossible it would be if you were an alcoholic, and you were trying to quit. You go to church to get help, and you are told that its okay to keep on drinking as long as you drink socially. There is no alcoholic on this planet that can follow that rule. That is like telling a cocaine addict it is okay if you just sniff once a day.

This guy has a ministry in his church called, beer and a Bible. They sit down and they have Bible study together and then they go have a beer together. This is where it is at today. This church also takes the position on homosexuality that you can be involved in ministry even if you are a homosexual as long as you are not a practicing homosexual, whatever that is. Now all that comes into the church, when the church loses the Bible. When I say the Bible, I am talking about a King James 1611 Authorized Version. I am not talking about a New King James which a lot of these guys want to pretend is just the same. But it is not!

➤ The Bible will be the only Moral Compass for Mankind Whether Saved or Unsaved

It is much like the public school system that nobody seems to understand and get either. The moment they took prayer and the Bible out of the schools they brought their guns and the drugs in. These guys don't understand this today. I understand why they don't. **The Bible will be the only moral compass for mankind whether you are saved or whether you are lost**. The Bible is a compass that points you in the right direction.

You will find that in the beginning of our country with the founding fathers, many of them were unsaved, but they followed a moral compass, the word of God. They may have died and went to hell, but they knew the Bible was true. It was their own personal choice not to be saved. For example, George Washington is probably burning in hell today. He was a deist. A deist is someone who doesn't believe that Jesus Christ is God. When you read the things that George Washington writes about how important God and the Bible is. When you read his farewell address, Ben Franklin, all of those guys. None of them were saved but they understood that the word of God was a moral compass that every nation needed to have. Whether they themselves personally accepted it or not.

The Bible tells us in Matthew 5:13 that the word of God is like salt and salt is a preservative

Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

Then we are told that the salt has lost its savor. It's been compromised and this country, this state, this city, most families in it have lost their moral compass, their moral authority. It is a tragic shame, but it is the sign of the times. It all comes back to one thing and that is dumping the King James 1611 Authorized Version.

Let's talk about this issue for a moment. This issue is not hard to get clear understanding from the Bible. This issue is when you throw out the Bible you can do whatever you want and that is what you are seeing today.

Let's get the context and find the definitive chapter where we are going to start. It will be Deuteronomy 32. You have heard me say many times that once you get the definitive chapter everything you find in the rest of the Bible concerning wine will go back to the definitive chapter. Before I get into Deuteronomy 32, let me explain a little bit about it. The context is Israel has been compromised. It started as soon as they left Egypt. Leaving Egypt is a picture

historically of the day you leave the world, and you get saved. The real danger is as soon as you get saved, you are going to be tempted with compromise because Israel was. While Moses was up on Mount Sini getting the ten commandments, the devil was giving them the golden calf. You are going to see this over and over again. Not only in the Bible, but in the lives of the people that you try to help. We are here to help people, but you can't make somebody do right that doesn't want to do right. It all starts with you and me. If you get this down, it will be one of the greatest lessons you will ever see. Because you are going to get into this with people at work, other Christians where their churches are okay with this. It is going to come up and it just depends on how much combat you want to get into.

Let's break down Deuteronomy 32.

- 1 Give ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak; and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth.
- 2 My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass:
- 3 Because I will publish the name of the LORD: ascribe ye greatness unto our God.
- 4 [He is] the Rock, his work [is] perfect: for all his ways [are] judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right [is] he.
- 5 They have corrupted themselves, their spot [is] not [the spot] of his children: [they are] a perverse and crooked generation.

If you guys are looking for a good sermon, Deuteronomy 32:4 makes a great sermon about God. You got five things about God that you can preach on.

- 1.) He is the Rock
- 2.) He is perfect
- 3.) He is a God of judgment
- 4.) He is truth
- 5.) He is just and right

This is an example of how you can take one verse and if you are paying attention, you see the four or five concepts or principles in there. Then just develop it.

He tells us in chapter 32 that out of the words of his mouth is going to come doctrine. Doctrine promotes growth and then it promotes us to be able to publish the name of the Lord. To publish as we think of publishing today is writing a book or publishing a book. The Old English word of publish is to put it out, to get it out. But I want you to notice in verse 5 that Israel is just like the church today. They are a perverse and crooked generation. They are not doing any of that.

They have corrupted themselves, their spot [is] not [the spot] of his children: [they are] a perverse and crooked generation. Deuteronomy 32:5

Remember the Days of Old

Look at verse 7 and on down through the chapter he tells them to "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: ask thy father, and he will shew thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. (Deuteronomy 32:7)

They are told in verse 7 exactly what I do with you, to remember the days of old. Go back and understand your beginnings as a Christian, your roots. We call our church Old Paths Baptist Church which is out of Jeremiah 16 because this church stays on the old path. We are not on the new high-fidelity path that all the other evangelical churches are that take Baptist off their name. That is not us. We stay on the old paths with the old Bible. We preach the message that was preached all down through history. Our history, our heritage. The true biblical line in history that keeps us on track. Israel lost that and you can see that from Deuteronomy 32. I am going to show you how they compromised here in a moment. Then I am going to show you how God's people have gotten compromised today.

He says remember the days of old. Israel lost it and so has churches today. The idea of drinking as a pastor and standing in the pulpit telling his people that it is okay to drink on any level. To me he is corruptly deceptive and has an ulterior motive, which is probably not true. Or he is the stupidest guy on the planet when it comes to understanding anything about history. Let me ask you a question. How would any pastor who knows anything about history and the Bible would get up there and say that it is okay for his people to drink alcohol on whatever level after the ministry of Billy Sunday? Billy Sunday was an evangelist that died less than 100 years ago. Billy Sunday's whole campaign of his revival was on drinking. J. Frank Norris did the exact same thing. When Billy Sunday died, they put his body on view at Madison Square Gardens for two days. For two days over a million people filed by his casket. A New York Times reporter was covering the event, and he said almost every one of them said that his preaching delivered them from the alcohol that was wrecking his life, and they found Christ through it. You know what most Christians are faced with today? You either take the preaching of Billy Sunday or the idiot preacher of the church you are going to. What the real tragedy is you will stick with the idiot pastor. You know why? Because you are a little idiot off the big idiot. It is clear from not only the Bible, but history. Do you know what Bill Sunday did through his preaching? He singlehandedly through his preaching about alcohol and booze brought in prohibition. For eleven years beer, alcohol, anything in this country that was alcohol was prohibited. You couldn't get it. So, they brought in the speakeasies and the bootleggers. From 1920 to 1933 he put an end to booze in this country. Then when Franklin Delano Roosevelt came in, he brought it back and here we are. A nation of drunkards and a Christianity of drunkards. Welcome to the 21st century.

Notice verse 29 a little bit further down it says, "O that they were wise, (they were not) [that] they understood this, [that] they would consider their latter end!" Just like the nation of Israel didn't do and the church. I listened to Terry Jobe's message, and he said that alcohol was a great solvent. It dissolves things. There is no truer statement. It will dissolve a marriage. It will dissolve your life. It will dissolve your kids.

<u>Israel is a nation void of counsel, that knows no understanding</u>. They won't consider the latter end of what a life like that will dissolve into.

III. Three Key Areas that have been Compromised

Look at verses 28-33. I want to show you where they are compromised. I want to show you how the devil came in and took what God gave them and then gave them a compromise that took what God gave them away. He gave them a counterfeit. I also want you to notice that this is exactly what he has done today.

28 For they [are] a nation void of counsel, neither [is there any] understanding in them.
29. O that they were wise, [that] they understood this, [that] they would consider their latter end!

30 How should one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, except their **Rock** had sold them, and the LORD had shut them up?

Notice the word Rock is capitalized. This is talking about God

31 For their rock [is] not as our **Rock**, even our enemies themselves [being] judges.

Here is their compromise!

- 32 For their vine [is] of the vine of Sodom, and of the fields of Gomorrah: their grapes [are] grapes of gall, their clusters [are] bitter:
- 33 Their wine [is] the poison of dragons, and the cruel venom of asps.

There are **three key areas** that have completely been compromised with Israel that have been also compromised today.

1.) They Have the Wrong Rock.

The Roman Catholic church will tell you that the rock here is Peter. They will base that on a misinterpretation out of Matthew 16:15-19 where in verse 18 Jesus says," *And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.*" So they make Peter the rock and of course that is their rock. Their rock is not my Rock because in 1 Corinthians 10:4 it clearly tells me that the Rock was Christ, the Rock of my life is not Simon Peter. **The Rock of my life is the Lord Jesus Christ.** In the Bible and even in Christianity, the great hymn Rock of Ages Cleft for Me. Let me hide myself in thee. Jesus is the Rock in a weary land. A rock symbolizes stability. In fact, the song Rock of Ages was written by a guy that was a pastor. He was going from town to town and a great storm happened. There was no shelter until he found a cave with a big overhanging rock. He sheltered in that and while the storm was raging around him, God gave him the words to that song. Rock

of Ages, cleft for me. Let me hide myself in thee. Jesus is the rock, not Peter. But their rock is not our Rock, and it is just that simple!

2.) They Have the Wrong Vine

Verse 32 for their vine is the vine of Sodom and their fields of Gomorrah. Their grapes are grapes of gall. Their clusters are bitter. In verse 32 we find that the vine here is two different vines. Their vine is the vine of Sodom and Gomorrah. In John 15 for you and for me you will find that Christ is our true vine. See what the devil has done? He has taken the true things of God and then he compromised them by counterfeiting them. God's people when they have no Bible can't discern between the two. Just like Israel, they corrupt themselves. They get crooked in their generations, and they come up thinking they got the wrong rock, and they got the wrong vine.

3.) They Have the Wrong Wine

Look at the wine in verse 33, "Their wine is the poison of dragons and the cruel venom of asps." Not only do they have the wrong rock and vine, but they have the wrong wine. Here is where it develops, you have two rocks in your Bible. One is the devil, and one is God. You have two vines; one is the devil's and one is God's. Now we have two wines in our Bible, and one would be called the devil's cup, and one will be the Lord's cup.

Come over to 1 Corinthians 10. Let me give you a verse that just states what I just gave you, so you know that its in the Bible. 1 Corinthians 10:21 says,

Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils.

It says you cannot drink of the cup of the Lord and the cup of devils. Do you see that? You cannot be partakers of the Lord's table and the table of the devil. So not only do you have two cups. One of them God's and one the devil's. You have got two tables. The word table in the Bible is a picture of your fellowship. One will be called the devils cup and the other will be called the Lord's cup. One will be for fermented booze, and one will be grape juice as you will see in a moment. You got two cups. The devil's and the Lord's. But you also have two tables that those cups are associated with. That will be your fellowship. Once you get this down out of Deuteronomy 32 and understand from these verses that there are two wines, then you see how the Bible will define each one of them.

Let's look at the devil's cup found in 1 Corinthians 10:21. Come back to Proverbs 20:1 and this will be the word of God defining the devil's cup for you.

Wine [is] a mocker, strong drink [is] raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

Come over to Proverbs 31:4-5. We see another reference about wine and strong drink. It says:

- 4. [It is] not for kings, O Lemuel, (another name for Solomon) [it is] not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes strong drink:
- 5. Lest they drink, and forget the law, and pervert the judgment of any of the afflicted.

You are told one of the reasons why if you are a public official or you are a king or somebody that you are not to be overtaken with wine or strong drink because here we see it perverts judgment. Go back to Proverbs 23:29

- 29 Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? (fighting) who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes?
- 30 They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine.
- 31 Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, [when] it moveth itself aright. [
- 32 At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder.
- 33 Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter perverse things.
- 34 Yea, thou shalt be as he that lieth down in the midst of the sea, or as he that lieth upon the top of a mast.
- 35 They have stricken me, [shalt thou say, and] I was not sick; they have beaten me, [and] I felt [it] not: when shall I awake? I will seek it yet again.

That is a great verse in 35. It says that the dog keeps returning to his own vomit. This is Friday and Saturday night in America. Bless God some of you were part of that and God delivered you from it. Amen! Some of you are still part of it. It starts at happy hour and gets happier.

I love verse 33, "Thine eyes shall behold strange women." Yeah, and the more you drink the better she looks. Then it says man you are sick; you are throwing up all over the place. It is like you are on a ship at the top of the mast where you are really feeling the waves sway the boat. You are sick and throwing up and worshipping that porcelain altar. Then the next day you get up and you do it all over again.

After showing you the poison of dragons and then adding to that Isaiah 27:1 and Revelation 12-13, there you will find the dragon and the devil's cup which is also in 1 Corinthians 10:21.

Now he defines for you the Lord's cup. You have two kinds of wine in your Bible. Deuteronomy 32, and the verses I am giving you is always the context that you can determine which one you are dealing with. Because in the Bible you are going to have wine which is the fermented and then you are going to have new wine in the Bible which is grape juice. Come back to Hosea chapter 4 verse 11 it shows you two different kinds of wine.

Whoredom and wine and new wine take away the heart.

It shows you whoredoms and wine and new wine taketh away the heart. Clearly showing you that there is wine and there is new wine. Now before you get upset and wonder why the new wine can take away the heart, it is because of gluttony. Too much. It clearly shows you the difference. Watch how the Bible develops this out of Deuteronomy 32:14. Watch this. You know that there are two, their wine is not our wine. Devil's cup, the Lord's cup. We just defined the devil's cup as alcohol. Now we are going to look at what the Bible calls the new wine, and the first one will be Deuteronomy 32:14 it says

Butter of kine, and milk of sheep, with fat of lambs, and rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats, with the fat of kidneys of wheat; and thou didst drink the pure blood of the grape.

You know what he did there? <u>If you haven't figured it out yet, he just connected grape juice to blood and now you are going to see that he develops this grape juice is a type of blood.</u> He calls it the pure blood of the grape. The pure blood of the grape, grape juice will be a picture of Christ's blood. Genesis 40:10-11. This deals with Joseph and the dream that the butler and the baker had that they take to Joseph.

And in the vine [were] three branches: and it [was] as though it budded, [and] her blossoms shot forth; and the clusters thereof brought forth ripe grapes: Genesis 40:10

Just like when you go to the grocery store, and in the produce department you get some grapes. You pick up a cluster of grapes. You can get red grapes or green grapes or whatever grapes you want.

And Pharaoh's cup [was] in my hand: and I took the grapes, and pressed them into Pharaoh's cup, and I gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand. Genesis 40:11 **This is grape juice**

Notice how systematically the Bible develops this. We saw in Deuteronomy 32:14 that grape juice is a type of blood, and it is called the pure blood of the grape. Hosea 4:11 shows you that there is wine which is the devil's cup, and new wine, which is what is in the cup of Pharaoh here, (grape juice).

➤ Definitive Verse Grape Juice is a Type of Christ's Blood-Matthew 26:26-29

Jesus himself tells us that it is a picture of His blood and look what He says about it in Matthew 26:26, this is the Last Supper.

26 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed [it], and brake [it], and gave [it] to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body

27 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave [it] to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;

Here comes the greatest definitive verse in the Bible that shows you that it is a type of Christ's blood and that it is grape juice!

28 For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

Jesus is telling you what is in this cup is a picture of His blood. It is called the pure blood of the grape. Look at verse 29.

29 But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, (it's grape juice) until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.

This is the passage and the verse that we use for the Lord's Supper when we as a church take the Lord's Supper. It says, "...when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom" is the marriage supper of the Lamb. But what he is saying and telling you is that in His cup is grape juice, the pure blood of the grape. How much easier can it get when you just use the Bible? But you can also see when you don't have a Bible, and you got some idiot pastor who knows nothing about the Bible and history, he gets up there and he is just part of the good ole boy system. You can see that this is also the context of 1 Corinthians 10:21. This is the Lord's table.

Let me just say that there are many churches today that will in their communion service of the Lord's Supper, the mass, whatever they call it, will use fermented wine in the memorial of what Christ did in Matthew 26. I can think of no greater blasphemy to God than to use the devil's cup to represent Christ's pure blood. Turning the Lord's cup and table into the devil's cup and table. I can't think of anything more disastrous! But here lies the deception of the world today and unfortunately Christianity.

You Can't Make Your Sacrifice to God While you are Still in Egypt

The devil will get his churches to drink the devil's cup in the place of Christ's pure blood. Then he will get God's church, saved people, to use the devil's bible instead of God's pure words. And if that's not my friend an ultimate compromise, I don't know what is. **The pure blood is compromised, the pure word is compromised, and the devil goes out the door laughing**. Understand this, when you take the devil's cup and you are drinking it, then you are drinking at his table. I told you last week you can't make your sacrifice to God while you are still in Egypt. Compromised!

Here is the other issue and boy does the devil love this one. Not only does he delight in God's people who are saved who are going to heaven someday. Who spends all their lives drinking the devil's cup at his table and thinks that it is okay. And some churches use it in the communion services. Not only does he delight in that but put yourself in God's shoes for a moment. He died for you on the cross and shed His blood that was perfect blood for your sins. He did that to defeat the devil. So, the devil could never get your soul in hell. Then God's people turn around and drink the devil's cup. Are you kidding me!!! Not only does the devil delight in people drinking his cup in memorial of Christ's death at his table. But the idea in John 2, the Last Supper or anywhere else, that Christ would give people fermented wine, the devil's cup to drink, would have Christ breaking the law. He would be a guilty sinner, and He couldn't save anybody.

I am going to give you two verses here in a minute but let's stop and think about this. Let's put this into a context. In John 2 where Jesus is at the wedding, and He turns the water to wine. We were not talking about a little dixie cup. We were not talking about a little thermos. If you do the math, it tells you what you got there is that He turned water into 162 gallons of booze. That is over three 55-gallon drums. If Jesus had done that and distributed it at the wedding, Proverbs 23:19-21 says:

- 19 Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the way.
- 20 Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh:
- 21 For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe [a man] with rags.

But the killer verse is in Habakkuk 2:15 by breaking of the law by giving anybody fermented alcohol to drink!

Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that puttest thy bottle to [him], and makest [him] drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness! Habakkuk 2:15

If Christ would have done that then He would have broken the law and He wouldn't been able to save anybody's soul.

I don't know how many Christian weddings I have been to that have the wedding using Ephesians 5 and go through all that stuff. I have seen them stand up there and talk about the Lord and the God of this and that and then at the reception it is an open bar. Are you kidding me?!? How stupid are God's people that you would have a wedding that is supposed to picture Christ coming for His bride and then have an open bar. Everything in the wedding is a symbol of Christ coming for His bride. The guy is not to see the bride all that day before the wedding. That is a picture of the church age. Christ not seeing her. He is standing down in front and she comes down to him in white. A picture of a virgin. He sees here for the first time that day. It is a picture of the rapture of the church. We come to Christ. You have attendants which you will find in the Old Testament. They are the family of God, and it is all a picture of that. So, you are going to have this great wedding, and it is all a picture of Christ and the rapture. Ephesians 5; husband love your wives as Christ loved the church. Then after the wedding its open bar. I wonder how God looks at that.

Wine bibber, that is a good word. Do you remember at the first coming of Christ in Luke 7:34 Christ's own enemies said he was a glutton and a wine bibber.

The Son of man is come eating and drinking; and ye say, Behold a gluttonous man, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners! Luke 7:34

If Christ would have done that, then he would have broken the law. My favorite place is Acts 2:13 where it is the day of Pentecost, and the Holy Spirit of God has just come and they are speaking in tongues. The enemies are listening to them and looking at them and they are making fun of them. The Bible says they are mocking them. You know how they mock them? They say well these guys are jibber jabbering. Well, they know what a drunk is and they also know from the verses I gave you that when your guy gets drunk he babbles and goes on and on. So, they are associating these born-again Holy Spirit of God Jews who are now speaking in tongues with drunks. They are making fun of them by saying these guys are drunk on new wine. You know why they say that? Because you can't get drunk on new wine.

Others mocking said, These men are full of new wine. Acts 2:13

IV. Summary

Using your Bible and this is true of everything you are going to find in the Bible. Here is what you need to get down. Once you establish the context of the two wines, God's and the devil's. The compromise, the counterfeit, Deuteronomy 32 and 1 Corinthians 10. One you establish the context you always work from that defining chapter or verse. This is why I will always lay them out for you. So, when you read the word wine, no matter where you read it in the Bible, and it is dealing with the devil's crowd you know it is the cup of devils. When you read the word wine and its dealing with something about Christ, then you know it is the pure blood of the grape.

Because it has been defined for you in Deuteronomy 32 and through the book of Proverbs. Based on Deuteronomy 32 the definitive of the two wines are. How easy is that? Just staying with and using your Bible to define it. Today with God's people you will face this all the time. You will get into scenarios where God's people have been truly compromised. I want you guys to be able to get this down so that you can show them. I pray for you every day that you become everything that God wants you to be.