

# Exodus 16:32

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And Moses said, This is the thing which the LORD commandeth, Fill an omer of it to be kept for your generations; that they may see the bread wherewith I have fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you forth from the land of Egypt.

## Analysis

**This is the thing which the LORD commandeth, Fill an omer of it to be kept for your generations**—God commands preservation of manna as memorial (זִקְרֹן, zikaron) for future generations. The 'omer' (עֹמֶר, approximately 2 quarts) represents one person's daily portion—the amount God deems sufficient. This preserved manna will be placed in the Ark of the Covenant (Heb 9:4), making daily bread an object of holiest worship. The command 'to be kept for your generations' ensures Israel never forgets wilderness dependence. This memorial manna, unlike daily manna, doesn't rot—God preserves what He commands. Christ's body, broken and preserved in Eucharistic memorial, fulfills this typology: believers remember the Bread from heaven until He comes.

## Historical Context

This preserved omer of manna would be placed in the Tabernacle's Holy of Holies alongside Aaron's rod and the law tablets, making common bread sacred memorial.

## Related Passages

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**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by faith

**James 2:17** — Faith and works

## Study Questions

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1. Why does God command memorializing daily bread as one of the three holiest objects?
2. How does the Lord's Supper ('do this in remembrance of me') parallel the preserved omer of manna?

## Interlinear Text

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צִוָּה	אָשָׁר	בְּזֶבַע	מִשְׁנֶה	הִנֵּה	זֶה	מִשְׁנֶה	הִנֵּה	זֶה	אָמַר
<b>said</b>	<b>And Moses</b>	H2088	<b>This is the thing</b>	H834	<b>commandeth</b>				
H559	H4872		H1697		H6680				
לְדִרְתִּיכֶם	מִלְמְשָׁמֶן	רְתָתָה	מִלְמְשָׁמֶן	מִלְמְשָׁמֶן	בְּעֵמֶר	מִלְמְשָׁמֶן	בְּעֵמֶר	מִלְמְשָׁמֶן	יְהִי הָ
<b>which the LORD</b>	<b>Fill</b>	H4480	<b>an omer</b>	H4931	<b>of it to be kept</b>	H1755	<b>for your generations</b>		
H3068	H4393		H6016		H4931		H1755		
בְּאָכְלָתֶךָ	לְתַתִּי	אָשָׁר	בְּלִכְמָה	אָתָה	וְיָרָא	אָתָה	לְמַעַן	לְמַעַן	עַל
<b>that they may see</b>	H7200	H853	H3899	H834	H853	H834	H4616	H4616	
מִאָתָךְ	מִזְרָחָם	אָתְכֶם	בְּמִדְבָּר	בְּהַזְכִּיאָה	וְיָרָא	אָתָה	וְיָרָא	אָתָה	לְמַעַן
<b>you in the wilderness</b>	H4057	H853	H3318	H3318	H853	H834	H853	H853	H776
מִצְרַיִם									
<b>of Egypt</b>									
H4714									

## Additional Cross-References

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**Psalms 105:5** (Parallel theme): Remember his marvellous works that he hath done; his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth;

**Luke 22:19** (Parallel theme): And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me.

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