

Celebrating The Lord's Supper Properly

1 Corinthians 11:17-34
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4 Ways To Celebrate The Lord's Supper Properly

Introduction

1 Corinthians 11:17-34 - Correction About The Lord's Supper

¹⁷ In the following directives I have no praise for you, for your meetings do more harm than good...²² What shall I say to you? Shall I praise you? Certainly not in this matter!

²³ For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night 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." ²⁵ 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." ²⁶ For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

²⁷ So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸ Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup. ²⁹ For those who eat and drink without discerning the body of Christ eat and drink judgment on themselves. ³⁰ That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep. ³¹ But if we were more discerning with regard to ourselves, we would not come under such judgment. ³² Nevertheless, when we are judged in this way by the Lord, we are being disciplined so that we will not be finally condemned with the world.

Main Idea: God calls us to celebrate the Lord's Supper properly.

1. Know the celebration is a sign/symbol of saving grace not an act of saving grace.
2. Understand its past, present and future meanings.
3. Realize we celebrate it together as a body of Christ.
4. Partake in a worthy manner by examining yourself and then taking the elements.