

# **The Lord's Supper**

**I'm here to tell you that Jesus is who He claims to be.  
He is the way, the truth, and the life.  
He is the only way to God.**

**He is Son of God and Son of Man, our Savior, the Word  
made flesh, the Firstborn from the Dead.  
He is our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.**

**He is Christ the Lord, the Rock of Ages, the Sure  
Foundation, the Cornerstone.**

**When He is your unforgettable Savior, you'll have life  
and have it more abundantly.**

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- 17 Now in giving these instructions I do not praise you, since you come together not for the better but for the worse.
- 18 For first of all, when you come together as a church, I hear that there are divisions among you, and in part I believe it.
- 19 For there must also be factions among you, that those who are approved may be recognized among you.
- 20 Therefore when you come together in one place it is not to eat the Lord's Supper.

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- 21 For in eating, each one takes his own supper ahead of others; and one is hungry and another is drunk.
- 22 What! Do you not have houses to eat and drink in? Or do you despise the church of God and shame those who have nothing? What shall I say to you? Shall I praise you in this? I do not praise you.
- 23 For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you; that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread;
- 24 and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, **“Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me.”**

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- 25 In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, **“This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”**
- 26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes.
- 27 Therefore, whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord.
- 28 But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup.
- 29 For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgement to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.



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30 For this reason many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep.

31 For if we would judge ourselves, we would not be judged.

32 But when we are judged, we are chastened by the Lord, that we may not be condemned with the world.

33 Therefore, my brethren, when you come together to eat, wait for one another.

34 But if anyone is hungry, let him eat at home, lest you come together for judgement. And the rest I will set in order when I come.

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## Who is Paul that he should be displeased?

- An apostle of Jesus Christ, under authority of God  
[1Cor.1:1](#)
- He is a servant of God and steward of His mysteries  
[1Cor.4:1](#)
- He is a teacher, mentor, under authority of God  
[1Cor.4: 6](#)   [Col1:24,25](#)

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## Why should those of the church at Corinth know better?

- \* Given grace of God, by Christ Jesus, that they might be enriched in every thing by Him in all utterance and all knowledge 1Cor1:4-8
- \* They are different from the world; cross and its message are foolishness to those perishing but to those being saved, it is the power of God 1Cor1:18
- \* They have been given the mind of Christ as well as having the Holy Spirit dwell within them  
1Cor.2:11,12,19...1Cor3:16,17...1Cor.6:11
- \* As stewards of Gods' mysteries, they are to be faithful  
1Cor.4:1,2



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## **What is the cause of Paul's displeasure?**

\* There are divisions amongst them, they have created factions and a hierarchy within their church body, they no longer look out for one another and they display disdain for God's dwelling place 1Cor.11;17-22

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Through the authority given to Paul in Christ Jesus, he outlines the purpose of the Lord's Supper.

- The Lord, knowing what lay ahead of Him, (the betrayal, the sacrifice of His body and shedding of His blood) instructed that whenever partaking of the bread which represented His body that was broken for them; it was to be done in remembrance of He and He alone. [1Cor.11: 24](#)
- And furthermore, when partaking of the cup, they were to remember Jesus Christ again for the new covenant that would always be found in His blood. [1Cor.11:25](#)
- Quite simply, whenever the Lord's Supper was performed, it was solely for proclaiming the death of Jesus until He returns [1Cor11:26](#)

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## Why is this so important to the members of the church at Corinth...to Paul?

- Their bodies are members of Christ and should reflect that difference to the world; they should not be desecrating the Body of Christ (which is the church) through the actions and activities they have been taking part in. [1Cor.6:15, 19, 20](#)
- They are uniquely interwoven with God the Father and Christ Jesus; when they do not reflect this relationship, they sin against both their brothers and sisters as well as Christ. [1Cor8:6,12](#)
- Are they better than their brothers and sisters in Christ? No, all have sinned and fallen short of God's glory; it is the exact reason they came to Christ, to be born again to a new body, redeemed in the eyes of God.  
[Rom.3:23, 2Cor.5:17](#)

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## Why is this so important to the members of the church at Corinth...to Paul?

- It is Pauls' mandate and responsibility to pass the same to others [1Cor9:15-23](#) [Col.1:24,25](#)

### Paul summarizes the issue.

- \* Each should reflect on the purpose for which Christ bought them, change their ways to reflect those values and be patient and loving towards one another to the glory of God. [1Cor.10:31,32...1Cor11:1-3](#)

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17 Regarding this next item, I'm not at all pleased. I am getting the picture that when you meet together it brings out your worst side instead of your best!

18 First, I get this report on your divisiveness, competing with and criticizing each other. I'm reluctant to believe it, but there it is.

19 The best that can be said for it is that the testing process will bring truth into the open and confirm it.

20 And then I find that you bring your divisions to worship - you come together, and instead of eating the Lord's Supper,

21 you bring in a lot of food from the outside and make pigs of yourselves. Some are left out, and go home hungry. Others have to be carried out, too drunk to walk. I can't believe it!

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22 Don't you have your own homes to eat and drink in? Why would you stoop to desecrating God's church? Why would you actually shame God's poor? I never would have believed you would stoop to this. And I'm not going to stand by and say nothing.

23 Let me go over with you again exactly what goes on in the Lord's Supper and why it is so centrally important. I received my instructions from the Master himself and passed them on to you. The Master, Jesus, on the night of his betrayal, took bread

24 Having given thanks, he broke it and said, This is my body, broken for you. Do this to remember me.

25 After supper, he did the same thing with the cup: This cup is my blood, my new covenant with you. Each time you drink this cup, remember me.



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26 What you must solemnly realize is that every time you eat this bread and every time you drink this cup, you reenact in your words and actions the death of the Master. You will be drawn back to this meal again and again until the Master returns. You must never let familiarity breed contempt.

27 Anyone who eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Master irreverently is like part of the crowd that jeered and spit on him at his death. Is that the kind of "remembrance" you want to be part of?

28 Examine your motives, test your heart, come to this meal in holy awe.

29 If you give no thought (or worse, don't care) about the broken body of the Master when you eat and drink, you're running the risk of serious consequences.

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30 That's why so many of you even now are listless and sick, and others have gone to an early grave.

31 If we get this straight now, we won't have to be straightened out later on.

32 Better to be confronted by the Master now than to face a fiery confrontation later.

33 So, my friends, when you come together to the Lord's Table, be reverent and courteous with one another.

34 If you're so hungry that you can't wait to be served, go home and get a sandwich. But by no means risk turning this Meal into an eating and drinking binge or a family squabble.

It is a spiritual meal - a love feast. The other things you asked about, I'll respond to in person when I make my next visit.

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