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Worship Service
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Re-Discover the Church

Lesson Three • 1 Corinthians 11:17-34

The Lord's Supper

Connection Between Baptism and the Lord's Supper

Baptism demonstrates our INITIAL identification with Christ and His church and the Lord's Supper celebrates our CONTINUAL identification with Christ and His church.

Acts 2:40-42 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Re-Discover the Lord's Supper

1. WHO Should Participate in the Lord's Supper?

Participants in the Lord's Supper

- Baptized BELIEVERS who belong to a local church are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper.
- UNBELIEVERS are not invited to partake of the Lord's Supper but are invited to Jesus Christ.

2. WHAT Should We Understand about the Lord's Supper?

Understanding the Lord's Supper

- Traditional misunderstanding: the elements are a CHANGE of substance that results in salvation.
- Biblical understanding: the elements are a SYMBOLIC meal that represents our salvation.

3. WHERE Should We Celebrate the Lord's Supper?

Biblical Context

The Lord's Supper should be celebrated in the context of a local church GATHERING.

4. WHEN Should We Celebrate the Lord's Supper?

Biblical Command

Celebrate the Lord's Supper OFTEN.

5. WHY Should We Celebrate the Lord's Supper?

Reasons to Celebrate the Lord's Supper

- To REMEMBER the body and blood of Jesus when He died on the Cross.
- To REFLECT on our sinfulness and God's forgiveness and faithfulness.
- To RENEW our commitment to Christ, His church, and His mission.
- To REJOICE in Christ's resurrection from the grave and imminent return for His people.

Celebrating the Lord's Supper

Followers of Jesus Christ (those who trust Christ for salvation, identify with Christ in baptism and commit to Christ's body in membership of a local church of like faith and practice) are invited to participate in Communion. The bread and juice represent the body and blood of Jesus when He died on the Cross and reminds us who our Lord is, what He has done for us, is doing for us, and will yet do for us when He returns. Come, Lord Jesus, come!