

THE WORDS AND WORKS OF KING JESUS

PART 16: THE LORD'S SUPPER

Mike Taylor

www.TaylorNotes.Info/prime



Matthew Chapters 26-27

"While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take and eat; this is my body.'²⁷ Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, 'Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.'" (Matt. 26:26-29 NIV)

During the Last Supper—a Passover celebration—Jesus took a loaf of bread and gave thanks to God. As He broke it and gave it to His disciples, He said, “‘This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me.’” In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you’” (Luke 22:19-21). He concluded the feast by singing a hymn (Matthew 26:30), and they went out into the night to the Mount of Olives. It was there that, as predicted, Jesus was betrayed by Judas. The following day Jesus was crucified.

I. COMMENTS

A. Three reasons why the Lord's Supper is important

1. To _____.

Jesus said, "Do this in remembrance of me" (1 Cor. 11:24,25).

2. To _____.

"I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom" (Matt. 26:29; see also Rev. 19:6-9)).

3. To _____.

"So then, my brothers and sisters, when you gather to eat, you should all eat together." (1 Cor. 11:33 NIV)

B. Other names of the Lord's Supper

1. _____.

"Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ?" (1 Cor. 10:16 NIV)

2. _____.

"You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons too; you cannot have a part in both the Lord's table and the table of demons." (1 Cor. 10:21 NIV)

3. _____.

"...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."" (1 Cor. 11:24 NIV)

C. Participants in the Lord's Supper

1. _____.

"So then, my brothers and sisters, when you gather to eat, you should all eat together." (1 Cor. 11:33 NIV)

2. _____.

"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. Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup." (1 Cor. 11:27-28 NIV)

D. The location of the Lord's Supper

1. Together in _____.

"Therefore when you come together in one place..." (1 Cor. 11:20a NKJ)

2. As a _____.

"For first of all, when you come together as a church" (1 Cor. 11:18 NKJ)

E. The frequency of the Lord's Supper

1. The early church: _____.

"Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts," (Acts 2:46 NIV)

2. The later church: _____.

"On the first day of the week we came together to break bread. " (Acts 20:7 NIV)

3. Any church: "_____."

"For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes." (1 Cor. 11:26 NIV)

II. DISCUSSING THE TEXT

1. When taking the Lord's Supper believers are to look back in time and forward in time. What two significant events are being observed when doing this?
2. What does it mean to eat or drink in an unworthy manner (1 Cor. 11:27-28)?
3. List at least three things you can be thankful for at your next Lord's Supper?

III. CHALLENGE FOR NEXT WEEK



Read Matthew Chapter 28:18-20. What is the "great commission" and how is it being implemented today?

Sources used this study

Geisler, Norman L. *Systematic Theology in One Volume*. Minneapolis: Bethany House, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2011.

Grudem, Wayne. *Systematic Theology: An Introduction to Biblical Doctrine*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan; Intersity Press, 1994, 2000.

Houdmann, S. Michael. "What is the importance of the Lord's supper / Christian Communion?" n.d. *GotQuestions.Org*. 19 March 2021.

Livingstone, Mark. "3 Reasons Why We Observe the Lord's Supper." 17 April 2017. *Explore the Bible*. 19 March 2021. <<https://goexplorethebible.com/blog/adults/3-reasons-we-observe-the-lords-supper/>>.

MacArthur, John and Richard Mayhue. *Bible Doctrine: A Systematic Summary of Bible Truth*. Wheaton: Crossway Publishers, 2017.