

The Lord's Supper

Homework Assignment

1. Read **I Corinthians 11:17-34**

Lesson Outline

I. Institution of the Lord's Supper

i. **I Corinthians 11:23-26 (Matthew 26:26-29, Mark 14:22-25, Luke 22:19-20)**

1. Bread- unleavened – **Luke 22:7, I Corinthians 5:8**
2. Cup – fruit of the vine – **Luke 22:18**
 - a. Wine – **I Corinthians 11:20-22**

ii. Commemorative

1. "ye do shew the Lord's death till He come." – **vs. 26**
2. "this is My body, which is broken for you" – **vs. 24**
 - a. "is" means "represents" – (see **Matthew 13:38**)
3. "This cup is the new testament in My blood" – **vs. 25**

iii. Memorial

1. "this do in remembrance of Me" – **vs. 24-25**
2. "If ever the tragedy of Calvary should engross the thoughts of the Christian to the exclusion of every other topic, it is when he sits at the table of the Lord." – Christian Doctrines – J.M. Pendleton pp. 358

iv. Communion with Christ

1. Communion with body and blood of Christ – **I Corinthians 10:16-17**

II. Practice

i. Frequency of Observance

1. "as oft as ye drink it" – **vs. 25**
2. Possibly once per week in the early church – **Acts 20:7**

ii. A Church Ordinance – Preceded by Baptism

1. Closed communion – local church only
2. Close communion – same faith only

iii. Eating and Drinking Unworthily – **I Corinthians 11:27-34**

1. Not discerning the Lord's body – **vs. 29**
2. Examine yourselves – **vs. 28**
3. Damnation to yourself – **vs. 29**
 - a. sickness
 - b. death