

## **1 Corinthians 11:23–34**

### **"Coming to the Lord's Table in the Lord's Way"**

#### ***A Lord's Supper Table Lesson.***

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That which I also delivered to you that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which he was betrayed took bread 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. The same matter 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.

For as often as you eat bread and drink this cup you proclaim the Lord's death. Become. S therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup for he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself not discerning the Lord's body.

For this reason many are weak and sick among you and many sleep for if we would judge ourselves who would not be judged but when we are judged we are chastised by the Lord. That we may not be condemned with the world. Therefore my brethren when you come together to eat wait for one, another.

But if anyone is hungry, let him eat at home. Must you come together for judgment. From the rest. I will set an order. When I come. So far the reading of God's inspired in an aren't word in which the apostle says this is Christ's meal in which Christ feeds upon himself feeds us upon himself in Christ's sway.

If we were to read earlier in the first Corinthians 11, we'd find out that the occasion that brought about this instruction from the Lord Jesus was that they weren't eating together. In fact, they were eating in a way that said that they were despising others in the church and in a way that changed that what they were really here for was bread and one.

And so he says, both of those things showed. That you're missing that this is a this is a meal in which you are supposed to be feeding upon Jesus because if you are despising others, then you're not recognizing that this is a corporate meal a body meal a meal for the church as a covenant body and if you are if your blood in yourself on bread and wine and even when your brother or sister goes hungry, you're.

Sure not coming here. To remember of him to feed upon him who has been broken for you and to receive the cup not for the sake of the wine that is in it, but as as a sign and seal of the new covenant that is in his blood and he warns them the eating you're drinking in the wrong way doesn't give you spiritual benefits.

Eating or drinking in the wrong way causes you to even drink judgment to yourself but this is a meal at which we are supposed to come to get life and strength and health and goodness and

gladness and assurance from our Lord Jesus as he as he points us outside of ourselves to him to feed upon him.

So here reminds them of Jesus's words as he's been commanding him. So let us come to feed upon him to be strengthened upon him to be nourished by his life to be glad and by him to be affirmed in his covenant by him to do this and remembering again that means two things one you need to have a credible profession of faith.

Because a mouth and a hand to. Take an amount to receive. A belly to digest is not the way that you are nourished upon this meal. Faith is the hand faith is the mouth faith is the stomach. And if you don't do this in remembrance of him, you will eat and drink judgment to himself.

The other thing that you need to do is you need to be part of his body. In order to wait for one another and to eagerly expect one another is taking to take this as a corporate covenant meal, you need to be someone who recognizes that the church is not a collection of a bunch of individual entities.

It is a corporate entity. There is a body of Christ that you join yourself to and publicly identify yourself with that you are to be waiting for it this thing. So if you're not a member of a gospel preaching church, if you haven't publicly identified that and in your commitments to that local congregation of Christ's body recognize the corporate and public aspect of his binding himself to us through his blood then also don't take today.

But do get that resolved. Because that is a precious reality there's important enough. The taking of this covenant meal together to sign and seal its present into our hearts. And so if either of those things keeps you from this table today, then don't eat the bread or drink the cup.

But if the either of those things keeps you from this table today. Then resolve that you will come get help from one of our elders to help them mean we'll call upon the Lord together we will talk about using the means of his grace and taking whatever steps are necessary for you to have a credible professional faith for you.

Because this is demanded by Jesus, it's not optional. Which means by the way children. That you are to be laboring desiring asking mom and dad and family worship every day. Lord's day worship and learning whatever you can at Christ to be laying hold of him that you would be one who knows that you belong to Jesus and shows that you belong to Jesus knows that he has fought you with his blood and shows by your life.

That you are one of those people so that you will come not hungry for bread and why not hungry too be like everybody else but hungry for him is stable as part of his body because Jesus commanded. And as soon as you trust him as soon as you know that he has died for your sins and are living like someone then you need to obey Jesus and you need to come to the table.