

The Lord's Supper, Part 2

1 Corinthians 11:27-34

Big idea: Paul's application on Communion summed up with 3 words: Unworthy, Examine, and Discipline.

Connecting

What's your favorite form of exercise?

Observation

What are the characteristics of a person who takes her faith in Jesus seriously?



Understanding

Read 1 Corinthians 11:27-34. What does it mean that unworthy is an adverb and not an adjective?

How would someone eat the bread or drink the cup in an unworthy manner? Give examples.

Read Psalm 139:23, 24. Why is this a good prayer before you partake of the Lord's Supper? How would you counsel someone who obsessively feels like they need to "find every sin" before partaking?

Read Psalm 45:7. "God doesn't call us to obedience to keep us from joy; he calls us to obedience to give us joy." Why is Jesus the happiest person in the universe? How does the goodness of God displayed at the cross move us toward obedience?

Read 2 Corinthians 13:5. How do you test yourself to see if you are in the faith?

Living

How does the Lord's Supper create unity in the church?

Answer the person who says that he is not worthy to take the Lord's Supper. What exactly would you say?

Looking Ahead: Read 1 Corinthians 12:1-11. What questions do you hope we will answer in the *Empowered* series?

Prayer together: