

Conduct at the Lord's Supper - 1 Corinthians 11:17-22

I. Correction about the Supper (v. 17)

1. Paul is giving the church _____ concerning the Lord's Supper.
 - a. He says, "I do not _____ you."
 - b. When they came together for the Lord's Supper it was not for the _____ but for the _____.
2. Paul loved the church and _____ God concerning them. (1 Corinthians 1:3-4)
3. "Whoever transgresses and does not _____ in the doctrine of Christ does not have _____. He who abides in the doctrine of _____ has both the Father and the Son." (2 John 9)

II. Divisions over the Supper (v. 18-19)

4. What had Paul heard about the church? There were _____ among them.
 - a. The church had divided into F _____ I _____.
5. Paul was told by Chloe's family that there were _____ in the church. (1 Corinthians 1:11)
 - a. Because of the division within the church Paul accused them of acting like _____ men (people). (1 Corinthians 3:3)

III. Misconduct at the Supper (v. 20-22)

6. Paul says, "When you come together, what you're doing IS NOT the _____!"
7. According to verse 21 were all of the members taking the "supper" in unity? _____
8. The tradition of the early church was to have a "fellowship meal" prior to observing the Lord's Supper. But as indicated there was much confusion.
 - a. "For God is not the author of _____ but of _____, as in all the churches of the saints." (1 Corinthian 14:33)
 - b. "Let all things be done _____ and in _____." (1 Corinthians 14:40)
9. Some were being neglected because they were poor (v. 22). Paul rebuked the wealthy members by saying, "What shall I say to you? Shall I _____ you in this? I do not _____ you."
10. My brethren, do not hold the _____ of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory, with _____. (James 2:1-13)

IV. Concluding Thoughts (v. 33-34)

11. "When you come together to eat (the Lord's Supper) _____ for one another."
12. The Lord's Supper is not a feast or fellowship meal. Common meals are to be eaten at _____. (v. 34)
13. To divide or misuse the Lord's Supper is spiritually dangerous therefore we must be careful "least we come together for _____."
14. "Therefore _____ one another, just as Christ also _____ us, to the glory of God." (Romans 15:7)

LESSON TEXT: 1 Corinthians 11:17–22

(17) Now in giving these instructions I do not praise you, since you come together not for the better but for the worse.

(18) For first of all, when you come together as a church, I hear that there are divisions among you, and in part I believe it.

(19) For there must also be factions among you, that those who are approved may be recognized among you.

(20) Therefore when you come together in one place, it is not to eat the Lord's Supper.

(21) For in eating, each one takes his own supper ahead of others; and one is hungry and another is drunk.

(22) What! Do you not have houses to eat and drink in? Or do you despise the church of God and shame those who have nothing? What shall I say to you? Shall I praise you in this? I do not praise you.