

**FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION (1 Corinthians 11:17-34)**  
**The Ordinances - Communion**

1. **Is there anything specific from this message that the Lord has impressed upon your heart?**  
**If so, what is it & how do you feel the Lord calling you to respond?**
  
2. **Read the following passages that relate to our practice of Communion:**  
*Exodus 12, Matthew 26:26-29, Mark 14:22-25, Luke 22:14-20, 1 Corinthians 11:17-34*  
**Considering these passages, what is the significance of the consistent practice of The Lord's Supper/Communion?**  
**How does the relationship to the Passover meal help to shape our understanding of the representation of the elements?**
  
3. **Have you had ever any misunderstandings about Communion; if so, how have you grown in your understanding of this ordinance?**
  
4. **How does the consistent practice of Communion provide a benefit to believers, individually & corporately?**  
**What are some ways that we partake in an "unworthy" manner resulting in our participation being to our detriment instead?**  
**With the knowledge that these potential pitfalls are possible, how do we guard against them in our lives?**
  
5. **What does Communion have to do with the New Covenant and why is the New Covenant in Jesus' blood better than the Old?**  
**In light of this, why is Communion commanded to be partaken of only by Christ's followers and only when all together?**
  
6. **Communion doesn't provide salvation, but it stands as a reminder of the salvation that's ours in Christ.**  
**Why is it important for us to consistently partake with sincere reverence for Christ if the "elements" are merely physical?**
  
7. **Below are the "Today's Takeaways" from the end of the sermon.**  
**Do any of these particularly encourage, convict, challenge, you, and if so, how?**
  1. **Salvation is in Christ, NOT the Communion elements!**  
*We're saved by grace through faith in His finished work!*
  2. **All who trust in Jesus alone are invited to partake!**  
*In Jesus - we've been made righteous & should join in joy!*
  3. **Communion is given so we remember Jesus' sacrifice!**  
*We celebrate Communion regularly to keep Jesus first!*
  4. **We participate together - united in our need of Jesus!**  
*Jesus' sacrifice requires humility & selflessness from us!*