

# 1 Corinthians 11:27-28

"Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup."

### PREPARATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LORD'S SUPPER

- Do I trust that Jesus is King and my God?
- Have I repented of my sins and surrendered to him as The King of my life and lifestyle?
- Do I have any outstanding sins that need to be confessed?
- Am I doing my part as a fellow worker in the kingdom of God?
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# Luke 19:

5 When Jesus came to the place, He looked up and said to him, "Zaccheus," hurry and come down, for today I must stay at your house." 6 And he hurried and came down and received Him gladly. 7 When they saw it, they all began to grumble, saying, "He has gone to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." 8 Zaccheus stopped and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, half of my possessions I will give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will give back four times as much." 9 And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. 10 For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."



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**Point #1:** Being made right with God on the basis of faith goes all the way back to Abraham.

**Faith** results in an initial surrender & an on-going surrendering marked by trust in & imitation of King Jesus for God's glory.

The holy, creator **GOD** was confronted with **MAN**'s rebellion and sin. So **JESUS** has given Himself in love to become the Redeemer and Restorer of man to God and God's purposes made possible by grace through faith and **SURRENDER** to the crucified, risen King.



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**Point #2:** Gentiles from among the nations are made right with God on the basis of faith and are blessed with Abraham.

Faith —> Abraham (Israel) —> Gentiles



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**Galatians 3:12** However, the Law is not of faith; on the contrary, "HE WHO PRACTICES THEM SHALL LIVE BY THEM."

Point #4: Those who trust in the faith system in order to be right with God abandon a works system or the idea of being right with God because of works.

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**Point #5:** Jesus redeemed us by bearing the sins of the world in His death on the cross, overcoming evil.

# PRACTICAL APPLICATION

- 1. Understand what it means to move from a state of guilt to a status of acceptance by God through the merit of Christ's death.
- 2. Move forward in faith & surrender



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