

**Scriptures:** Isaiah 57:15-21 and 66:1-4  
**Singing:** 226:1-3 – 87:1-3 – 402:1, 4 – 91:2, 5

Jesus called the Lord's Supper *the New Testament in My blood* (Luke 22:20)  
A. This pictures the purpose of sacrament of LS Jesus gave.

- B. To profit from use of this sacred means
1. examine whether you are a genuine believer in Jesus Christ (1 Cor. 11:28)
  2. examine whether you are a faithful or obedient believer in Jesus Christ
  3. examine nature of Lord's Supper: *not meant to intimidate but encourage*

**THE LORD'S MESSAGE TO WORSHIPPERS**

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II. I am greatly offended with the formal who ignore My Word

I. I will look tenderly upon the lowly who tremble at My Word

A. The 'I' is Almighty *speaking to us* (thus saith the LORD)

1. He reminds us of where He is and we are (1-2)
2. He also reminds us that He is/remains the Holy One (Is. 57:15)

B. Though so high & holy, yet He looks to poor and contrite

1. What is His look like? (Is. 66:13)  
Ps. 103:13 *Like as a father pitieth his children, so the pitieth them that fear Him; for He knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust.*
2. Who are those He gives this tender look?
  - a. the poor and contrite are spiritually convinced and humbled about sin
  - b. those who tremble at my Word are those who honor God's Word
3. This is really comforting and reassuring
  - a. He looks with delight, love, and favor upon such who feel unworthy

Ps. 147:11 *The LORD taketh pleasure in them that fear him, in those that hope in his mercy*

II. I am greatly offended with the formal worship of those who ignore my Word

A. God not only hates pretense – it is deeply dishonoring to Him (vs. 3)

1. God loathes heartlessness (lukewarmness – halting on two opinions)
  - a. such a religion is called what it is: *filthy rags* (Is. 64:6)

B. With such a state of mind you are not welcome to partake at the Lord's Table