

Sunday, November 5, 2023

Sermon Notes

1. The Lord's Supper: (Mark 14:22-26)

“The supper of the Lord Jesus was instituted by him the same night wherein he was betrayed, to be observed in his churches, unto the end of the world, for the perpetual remembrance, and showing to all the world the sacrifice of himself in his death, confirmation of the faith of believers in all the benefits thereof, their spiritual nourishment, and growth in him, their further engagement in, and to all duties which they owe to him; and to be a bond and pledge of their communion with him, and with each other.” (LBC 1689 30:1)

- Bond of union with Him and the members of His body.
- A seal of His promise to us and a renewal of our obedience to Him
- Assurance of His presence with us who are gathered in His name
- An opportunity for us to feed spiritually on the Bread of Life

- A pledge of His coming again
- Remembrance, Reminder, Reassurance, Rehearsal
- New Covenant Meal
- A reminder of the sufficiency of Christ's sacrifice
- Observed on the Lord's Day (Resurrection) a recognition of His triumph on the cross
- Sometimes referred to as the Eucharist (Gk. Thanksgiving)
- Sermon and Supper go together. Ministries of His Word.
- A Means of Grace
- Altar replaced by the table. Pulpit moved to the center of the Church
- Simple observation

2. Old Testament Theology: Remembrance

- **Exodus 12:1-13** compare with **1 Corinthians 5:7**

- Memorial: Remember how the Lord delivered His people from bondage in Egypt **Exodus 12:14**
- Father's commanded to recount the story of deliverance to their children (**Exodus 12:21-28**)

3. New Testament Theology: Reminder

- The meal is from Him and He is the Host.
- It is a celebration of being members of the New Covenant
- This is a memorial meal: In remembrance of Him **1 Corinthians 11:24-25**
- Remembering His body broken on the cross and His blood poured out. He became sin for us that we might know His righteousness.

Communion- Fellowship- Participation: **1 Corinthians 10:16-17**

- All believers are members of Christ's body: **1 Corinthians 12:12-13**
- Communion with Christ and one another

4: Notes on His Presence:

In this ordinance Christ is not offered up to his Father, nor any real sacrifice made at all for

remission of sin of the quick or dead, but only a memorial of that one offering up of himself by himself upon the cross, once for all; and a spiritual oblation of all possible praise unto God for the same. So that the popish sacrifice of the mass, as they call it, is most abominable, injurious to Christ's own sacrifice the alone propitiation for all the sins of the elect. (1689 LBCF 30:2)

-Spiritual presence- "Christ is indeed present to us at the table but not according to the flesh.

~A Rehearsal Dinner: Though not physically present at the table we are reminded of where He is and where we will be one day seated at the table with Him!

5. The Gospel is Proclaimed!: 1 Corinthians 15:3-4

-The Gospel preached is the proclaiming of the fulfilled promise of God to His people. It includes the advent, death burial and resurrection of our Lord and Savior according to the Scriptures.

-The Lord's Supper is a proclamation of this Gospel!

