

Examination Time

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1 Corinthians 11:17-28

“Don’t you have homes to eat and drink in? Or do you despise the church of God by humiliating those who have nothing?” Paul asks the Corinthians (1 Corinthians 11:22). Apparently, the Lord’s Supper had become an event in which some were eating their own food while others had nothing to eat. They seemed to have forgotten Jesus’ commandment that the Lord’s Supper was to be taken in remembrance of the sacrifice of His body and His blood. Paul then calls on these Corinthians to examine themselves before they eat so that they don’t eat “in an unworthy manner” and thus become “guilty of sinning” (1 Corinthians 11:27).

In today’s church, communion is not a social time of eating our own food: it is a symbolic act of taking the bread and juice to remember the sacrifice of Christ’s body and blood. Still, it is a good time for us to examine our thoughts, our motives, and our priorities to make sure that we are not putting our selfish desires above the supreme sacrifice of Christ.

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