

Instructions for the Lord's Supper

1 Corinthians 11:23-34

(series #43)

Introduction: the disorders addressed in chapters 11-14

I. It is a Time of Meditation vv. 23-25

- A. Paul received this directly from the Lord!
- B. Jesus instituted this on the night of His betrayal
- C. It is a reminder of the New Covenant

II. It is a Time of Proclamation v. 26

- A. It proclaims the Lord's body and blood
- B. It looks three different directions
 1. The past – the death of Jesus
 2. The present – our communion with Jesus
 3. The future – His coming again

III. It is a Time of Examination vv. 27-34

- A. "Unworthy manner" does not refer to the person
- B. "Unworthy manner" refers to the manner
- C. We must examine our lives to avoid chastening

IV. It is a Time of Celebration (Luke 22:7-20)

- A. It was instituted during Passover celebration
- B. It celebrates our deliverance from sin and death

Conclusion: The Lord's Supper is intimate communion