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THE LORD'S SUPPER: CELEBRATION OF THE NEW COVENANT

Luke 22:7-23; Acts 2:42; 1 Corinthians 11:23-32

Baptism and the Lord's Supper...

Baptism demonstrates our _____ identification with Christ and His church; the Lord's Supper celebrates our _____ identification with Christ and His church.

Questions About the Lord's Supper...

Who should participate in the Lord's Supper?

- Believers _____ in the work of Christ as they partake of the Lord's Supper.
- Unbelievers _____ the work of Christ as they watch the Lord's Supper.

Where should we have the Lord's Supper?

- The only biblical requirement: _____ of the church.

When should we have the Lord's Supper?

- The command: Observe it _____.
- The question: What about _____?

How should we understand the Lord's Supper?

- A traditional misunderstanding: a change of _____ that results in salvation.
- A biblical understanding: a _____ meal that reflects salvation.

Why should we celebrate the Lord's Supper?

- To remember...
 - ▶ The _____ of Jesus.
 - ▶ The _____ of Jesus.
- To reflect...
 - ▶ On our _____.
 - ▶ On His _____.
 - We feast on His _____.
 - We feast on His _____.
- To renew...
 - ▶ Our commitment to _____.
 - ▶ Our commitment to _____.
 - ▶ Our commitment to _____.
- To rejoice...
 - ▶ He has _____.
 - ▶ He is _____.

Significance of the Lord's Supper...

The Lord's Supper is an essential component of new covenant _____ and a celebratory expression of new covenant _____.



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Baptism and the Lord's Supper...

Baptism demonstrates our **initial** identification with Christ and His church; the Lord's Supper celebrates our **continual** identification with Christ and His church.

Questions About the Lord's Supper...

Who should participate in the Lord's Supper?

- Believers **share** in the work of Christ as they partake of the Lord's Supper.
- Unbelievers **see** the work of Christ as they watch the Lord's Supper.

Where should we have the Lord's Supper?

- The only biblical requirement: **gathering** of the church.

When should we have the Lord's Supper?

- The command: Observe it **often**.
- The question: What about **weekly**?

How should we understand the Lord's Supper?

- A traditional misunderstanding: a change of **substance** that results in salvation.
- A biblical understanding: a **symbolic** meal that reflects salvation.

Why should we celebrate the Lord's Supper?

- To remember...
 - ▶ The **body** of Jesus.
 - ▶ The **blood** of Jesus.
- To reflect...
 - ▶ On our **sin**.
 - ▶ On His **promises**.
 - We feast on His **forgiveness**.
 - We feast on His **faithfulness**.
- To renew...
 - ▶ Our commitment to **Christ**.
 - ▶ Our commitment to **each other**.
 - ▶ Our commitment to **His mission**.
- To rejoice...
 - ▶ He has **set us free**.
 - ▶ He is **coming back**.

Significance of the Lord's Supper...

The Lord's Supper is an essential component of new covenant **worship** and a celebratory expression of new covenant **community**.