



**The Communion of Christ  
1 Corinthians 11:27-29**

**1. A Given \_\_\_\_\_**

To look upon the communion provision given by Christ as merely a ritual of religious duty is to hold contempt for what it represents. It is expected of those who belong to Christ to honor and worship Him as He has purposed.

*John 4:23 ~ "But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him."*

**2. A Call to \_\_\_\_\_**

It is of great importance that all believers develop the discipline of self-examination. Not a morbid introspection, but a repentant heart toward sin. Let us never come to the table of the LORD with our hearts still clinging to our sins.

*James 1:23-24 ~ For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like.*

**3. A Rule without \_\_\_\_\_**

A believer must not participate in communion with no discernment of Christ. There is no exception to this injunction, for the chastisement of God is upon any who consider the sacrificial death of Christ with indifference.

*Hebrews 12:11 ~ For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.*

**Matthew 26:29**

**"I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."**



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Additional Scriptures**

**Malachi 1:13**

*But you say, 'What a weariness this is,' and you snort at it, says the LORD of hosts. You bring what has been taken by violence or is lame or sick, and this you bring as your offering! Shall I accept that from your hand? says the LORD.*

**Matthew 15:8-9**

*"This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men."*

**2 Corinthians 13:5**

*Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you? —unless indeed you fail to meet the test!*

**Psalms 139:23-24**

*Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!*

**1 Corinthians 10:16**

*The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ?*

**Romans 2:9-11**

*There will be tribulation and distress for every human being who does evil, the Jew first and also the Greek, but glory and honor and peace for everyone who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. For God shows no partiality.*

**Thoughts to Remember:**

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