

## SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE: JANUARY 4, 2025

THE LORD'S SUPPER – 1 COR. 11:23-29

### TEXT

Read 1 Cor. 11:23-29

### DISCUSSION

#### 1. Discussion Starter

- Do you have any 'special occasion meals' that you particularly enjoy? A birthday, holiday, or other special meal?

#### 2. What is the Lord's Supper?

- What memories or impressions do you have of how the Lord's Supper has been practiced in church in your past, either as a child or a new believer? Did it help you understand what Jesus did for you? Why or why not?
- How does thinking of the Lord's Supper as a **gift**, rather than a religious task, shape how you understand what's happening at the table?

#### 3. Who Should Partake in the Lord's Supper?

- If a brand-new believer asked you, "Should I take the Lord's Supper?" how would you respond and why?
- How can the Lord's Supper be both open and welcoming while still being taken seriously?

#### 4. What happens to us when we partake in the Lord's Supper?

- In the sermon, we talked about four responses the Lord's Supper is meant to stir in us: Humility, community, purity, and certainty. Which of these do you most experience when you partake in the Lord's Supper?
- How might receiving the Supper as grace—rather than earning something—affect the way we leave the table and live afterward?

#### Take Time to Pray:

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