



# FUSION

CHURCH OF MADISON

Sermon Guide for Tribes

November 5, 2023

Sermon Title: The Lord's Supper

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 11:17-32

17 But in the following instructions I do not commend you, because when you come together it is not for the better but for the worse. 18 For, in the first place, when you come together as a church, (A)I hear that there are divisions among you. And I believe it in part,[a] 19 for (B)there must be factions among you in order (C)that those who are genuine among you may be recognized. 20 When you come together, it is not the Lord's supper that you eat. 21 For in eating, each one goes ahead with his own meal. One goes hungry, (D)another gets drunk. 22 What! Do you not have houses to eat and drink in? Or do you despise (E)the church of God and (F)humiliate those who have nothing? What shall I say to you? Shall I commend you in this? No, I will not.

23 For (G)I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that (H)the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, 24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for[b] you. Do this in remembrance of me." [c] 25 In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." 26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death (I)until he comes.

27 (J)Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord (K)in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning (L)the body and blood of the Lord. 28 (M)Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. 29 For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. 30 That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some (N)have died.[d] 31 (O)But if we judged[e] ourselves truly, we would not be judged. 32 But when we are judged by the Lord, (P)we are disciplined[f] so that we may not be (Q)condemned along with the world.

Points of Consideration:

Truths to Consider:

- *The Need for Unity vs. 17-22*
- *The Need for Remembrance vs. 23-26*
- *The Need for Self-examination vs. 27-32*

Discussion Questions:

In 1 Corinthians 11:17-22, Paul addresses the issue of divisions and selfishness among the Corinthians during the Lord's Supper. How can we apply Paul's exhortation to maintain unity and avoid selfishness in our own Christian communities today?

In 1 Corinthians 11:23-26, Paul recounts the institution of the Lord's Supper by Jesus at the Last Supper. How does this passage help us better understand the significance and purpose of the Lord's Supper in the Christian faith? What does it mean to "proclaim the Lord's death until he comes"?

1 Corinthians 11:27-32 warns against partaking in the Lord's Supper in an unworthy manner. What does it mean to partake in an unworthy manner, and what are the consequences of doing so? How can we examine ourselves and approach the Lord's Supper with a proper attitude and reverence?

# Begin your time of discussion today by praying earnestly over the Sunday morning service!

## You Turn Ministries

- Soccer league outreach
- Pray for nine pastor training schools, and over 200 students
- Pray for the over 80 orphans that You Turn currently supports

## Church Plants!

### - Hispanic Church Plant

- Be in prayer for Pastor Roberto and his family and for God to open doors amongst the Hispanic community in Morgan County.
- Pray for consistency from new families visiting the Bible study.

### - Walton County Church Plant

**Church of Good Hope - Partnerships (Update from Craig Story - ChurchOfGoodHopeGA@gmail.com)**

#### **PRAYER PARTNERS (one-year commitment)**

- **Col 1:9 - For this reason also, since the day we heard this, we haven't stopped praying for you...**
- **Prayer is our most important partnership. If we could have a hundred churches partner with us in prayer, we would still seek even more.**
- **Each month, you will receive the Top 3 Prayer Requests from the Church of Good Hope. They will be as specific as we can make them.**
- **We would simply ask that your staff and leadership pray for those requests AND pass those requests along to your congregation.**

#### **CONNECTION PARTNERS (one-year commitment)**

- **Luke 10:6 - "If a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on him" ... Acts 16:15 - After she and her household were baptized, she urged us, "If you consider me a believer in the Lord, come and stay at my house."**
- **Good Hope is a small community and the Gospel will spread faster through existing connections.**

- Twice a month, community groups will meet at houses in the Good Hope area.
- We would ask that you identify families from your church that live in Good Hope to open their home as community group hosts for their neighbors and people connected to the Church of Good Hope.

#### **LAUNCH PARTNERS (6-month commitment)**

- 1 Thes 2:8 - We cared so much for you that we were pleased to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own lives, because you had become so dear to us.
- There are many details that go into launching a church from scratch (like providing safe child care by trained workers with background checks).
- We will have preview services at 6:00pm on July 30, Aug 13, Aug 27, and Sep 10. Our Public Launch Service is on Sep 17, and then we'll meet weekly.
- We would ask that you provide childcare (and possibly other logistical needs) for our Sunday evening services until we can establish our own ministry teams by the end of January.

#### **FINANCIAL PARTNERS (6-mo. commitment + 6-mo.)**

- 1 Cor 16:2 - On the first day of the week, each of you is to set something aside and save in keeping with how he is prospering...
- The Church of Good Hope will join God in his plan to transform lives with the Gospel. We will do this by developing disciples who are equipped to share the Good News of Jesus and demonstrate the life He calls us to live in our homes, communities, and throughout the world.
- As we develop disciples, we will teach stewardship.
- However, until they are developed, you can partner with us at \$500/month starting in July 2023.

### **Life Community Church, Weymouth, MA**

- Visit the link below for a ministry partner update from Noah Madden and Life Community!

<https://youtu.be/8Gah-cMg-z8>

- A permanent church building to own.
- "Dots on the Map" for future plants
- Continued relationship with Seach Elementary School in Weymouth, MA - Next steps for families who connected with LCC at the Fall Fun Fest
- Office Space for staff

- Follow the link below for the most recent LLC newsletter!

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## FCA

[https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Quarterly-Newsletter.html?soid=1105759152459&aid=o3\\_xweZnDo4](https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Quarterly-Newsletter.html?soid=1105759152459&aid=o3_xweZnDo4)

Please access the link above for the latest newsletter from FCA!

## Timothy Initiative

### Update on Turkana region in Kenya:

“This is the situation in Turkana region Kenya. Have your family and the church pray, remember Turkana church. People are facing a tough time because of drought which has existed for a long period. People are lacking food and clean water. Diseases like malaria, typhoid, and tuberculosis are affecting people. We lost eight people because they lack food to eat.” – from Pastor Eloiloi

- The East African team has been praying fervently for their field leaders and their families; many of them are experiencing significant health issues and are in need of prayer for both healing and financial provision.

- Pray specifically for Pastor Simon Eloiloi, a key leader in the Turkana mission work. Pastor Simon’s wife and daughters have been battling health problems for over 3 months now. His wife, Oriba Kemunto, is currently in need of a third eye surgery, but the family lacks funds and is praying for God to provide a way for them.

- For both the staff and field leaders, prayer has been requested for grace and motivation to continue in service.

- Pray for these pastors as they minister in often desolate, impoverished places with limited resources and cultural opposition.

- The cost of planting a church through TTI is \$400; consider how your tribe may impact believers across the globe by planting a church through TTI!

