

## The Importance of the Lord's Day

**John 20:1** Now on the **first day of the week**, Mary the Magdalene came early to the tomb while it was yet dark and saw the stone taken away from the tomb.

**20:17** Jesus said to her, Do not touch Me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to **My brothers** and say to them, I ascend to My Father and your Father, and My God and your God.

**Acts 20:7** And on the **first day of the week**, when we gathered together to break bread...

**1 Corinthians 16:2** On the **first day of the week** each one of you should lay aside in store to himself whatever he may have been prospered.

**Revelation 1:10** I was **in spirit on the Lord's Day** and heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet.

### The Lord's Table

**1 Corinthians 11:24-26** And having given thanks, He broke it and said, This is My body, which is given for you; this do unto the remembrance of Me. Similarly also the cup after they had dined, saying, This cup is the new covenant established in My blood; this do, as often as you drink it, unto the remembrance of Me. For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you declare the Lord's death until He comes.

### Building Up the Body of Christ By Prophesying

**Matthew 16:18** I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

**1 Corinthians 14:3-4** But he who prophesies speaks building up and encouragement and consolation to men. He who speaks in a tongue builds up himself, but he who prophesies builds up the church.

**14:26** What then, brothers? Whenever you come together, each one has a psalm, has a teaching, has a revelation, has a tongue, has an interpretation. Let all things be done for building up.

## Resurrection being a matter of faith

This matter is exceedingly practical and applicable to our attending of the meetings. When you come to the meetings, do not look at yourself; look at Him. Do not look at your situation; look at what He is. We need faith. When you come to the meeting, do not come by yourself, do not count on yourself. Sometimes by the Lord's mercy you have some good experiences of the Lord during the day, so you come to the meeting shouting Hallelujah! But at other times your experiences are not so good, and you come to the meeting depressed. You may say that you have had many failures. But, Hallelujah, you have the blood; the blood covers all your failures. Immediately, by applying the blood, you can be in the third heaven. Immediately, you can be in resurrection. When we come to the meeting, we should not come as one who has had so many failures, or even as one who is only seeking the Lord, but as one of the Lord's brothers in resurrection. The blood is so available. It is the blood that cleanses away all our sins. I know many brothers who would say that since they have failed so terribly during the day, they cannot be immediately recovered; they say that they must wait a week or so before they can be fully restored. But this means that the blood does not avail, but the time. This means that they are not trusting in the blood but in the time. They do not apply the blood to their failures; they just apply the time to their failures. Do we trust in time, or do we trust in the blood? By the precious blood we can be immediately restored and enter into the meetings as the Lord's brothers in resurrection. We have a standing for us to meet with Jesus: it is the standing of the brothers of Christ in His resurrection.