Communion: The Details

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Believers are to approach their involvement in the Lord's Table with a proper attitude. Paul presents three actions which will ensure a proper attitude on their part.

- 1. BE COMPASSIONATE TO OTHERS (11:17-22)
 - a. Divisions in the Church (17-19)
 - b. Delusions in the Church (20-22)
- 2. BE COGNIZANT OF CHRIST (11:23-26)
 - a. The Bread and Christ's Body (23-24)
 - b. The Cup and Christ's Blood (25)
 - c. The Meal until Christ's Return (26)
- 3. BE CLEANSED OF IMPURITY (11:27-34)
 - a. Through Proper Discernment (27-29)
 - b. Through Proper Discipline (30-32)
 - c. Through Proper Dignity (33-34)

Application:

How have you treated the members of the body of Christ recently? Should you partake of communion, or not, based on this passage?