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(Romans 12:1-2)

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Communion With God's Family

1 Corinthians 11:23-28 (NIV)

Communion is a _____
The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread...

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And when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."

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For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup.

KEY QUESTION

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OTHER DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

(Optional questions to dive deeper as time allows)

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