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Dale Vandygriff

Song Leader

Chris Moore

Scripture Reading

Mason McAlister

Opening Prayer

Randell Koon (A.M.)
Jarvene Shackelford (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Luke Hobson (A.M.)
J C Newby (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Gene Yancey

Count and Usher

Bobby Bridges & Larry Wood

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Brock Lindley (11/13/24)

OUR RECORD

November 3, 2024

Sunday Bible Study: 85
Sunday Morning Worship: 96
Sunday Evening Worship: 72
Wednesday Night Bible Study: 89

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WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

1. **Hear** the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17).
2. **Believe** the Gospel (Acts 15:7;Mark 16:15, 16).
3. **Repent** of Sins (Acts 3:19).
4. **Confess** Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37).
5. **Be Baptized** for Remission of Sins(Acts 2:38).
6. **Be Faithful** (Revelation 2:10).



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WHEN TO OBSERVE THE LORD'S SUPPER By Mark Lindley

How often should Christians partake of the Lord's Supper? If this question were presented to preachers of different churches today, it is certain that answers would vary. In denominationalism, there are different views concerning how often the Lord's Supper should be observed.

Nevertheless, the Bible is the objective standard of authority that should be consulted for answers. What does the Bible say about the frequency with which the Lord's Supper is to be observed? Consider an example from the New Testament that shows when early Christians partook of this memorial feast: "And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight" (Acts 20:7).

Notice three key ideas of this verse: (1) The disciples "came together"; (2) The disciples came together "upon the first day of the week"; (3) The disciples came together upon the first day of the week "to break bread." Also, consider that Paul, an inspired apostle, was present. He sanctioned observing the Lord's Supper "upon the first day of the week." If Paul had wanted these early disciples to partake of the Lord's Supper at some other time, then surely he would have told them. One can safely conclude, therefore, that the time for partaking of the Lord's Supper is the first day of every week.

However, some object saying that if we partake of the bread and fruit of the vine every week, this memorial loses its significance. Therefore, some do not observe the Lord's Supper weekly, but observe it monthly, quarterly, twice a year, or at other scheduled times.

A rational and Biblical response to this objection is that the Bible also teaches that early Christians gave of their means "upon the first day of the week" (I Corinthians 16:1-2). If partaking of the Lord's Supper weekly causes it to lose its significance, then why does giving each week not cause giving to lose its significance? The Bible that teaches Christians to give "upon the first day of the week" is the same Bible that teaches Christians to partake of the Lord's Supper "upon the first day of the week."

Further, all agree that Christians "can" partake of this memorial feast each week. On the other hand, not everyone agrees that Christians can observe it monthly, quarterly, or at other varying times. Therefore, why not do that with which all agree and partake of the Lord's Supper weekly, instead of causing division by observing communion at unscriptural times? If I were a member of a Church that did not partake of the Lord's Supper each week, I would want to know why. Why not open the Bible to see whether these things are so?

Calamity Cain
Terry R. Townsend

In 1852, Martha Jane Cannary, a.k.a., Calamity Jane, was born. When she was 14 years of age her mother died, and then just one year later her father passed away. Following his death, Calamity Jane found work as a scout at Fort Russell. She was well known for being a good shot and an outdoors adventurer. There are many speculations on how she got her nickname, none of which can be factually verified; however one thing is certain. Calamity seemed to strike this western frontierswoman everywhere she went.

There is another famous individual that was known for his travels, as well as the calamity that followed him, albeit by his own volition. His name was Cain. He was the first child ever born. He undoubtedly grew up hearing his parents talk about the good old days in the Garden of Eden and how their disobedience to God resulted in their expulsion from that beautiful place (I would like to think that they instructed him in the ways of the Lord and admonished him not to make the same mistakes they had). He became a farmer. and his brother Abel labored as a shepherd (Gen 4:2). He and his brother were also worshipers of God, but unfortunately Cain's worship was, unlike his brother's, unacceptable (Gen. 4:3-5). Why? According to Sacred Scripture, Abel's worship was done "by faith" (Heb. 11:4). And since faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God (Rom. 10:17), we can logically conclude that Cain's worship was not offered according to God's will. Soon thereafter, Cain went out and killed his brother (Gen 4:8-19). For his crime, God cursed Cain and drove him out from among His presence, as well as the presence of his family. He would forever reap what he had sown (Gen. 4:11-15; cf. Gal. 6:7-8).

Calamity Jane and Cain, while living centuries apart, had one thing in common; that was. death and destruction seemed to follow them. Cain's calamity, however, was self-inflicted! The Bible states, "Woe to them! For they have gone the way of Cain..." (Jude 11). May we refrain ourselves from following the ways of Cain. May we be obedient to God by worshiping Him in "spirit and in truth" (John 4:24) and by "loving one another with a pure heart fervently" (1 Peter 1:22). If we live our lives according to God's will, calamity will evade us at journey's end (2 Cor. 5:9-10).

More Important Than Myself
By Greg Litmer

If I can learn to truly regard others "as more important" than myself (Philippians 2:3), then I will have taken a giant step toward living day by day as a faithful child of God. I struggle with this concept in some aspects and don't struggle with it in others. How can I view the person who has nothing and lives off of the government as more important than myself? How can I consider a person who does not match my intellectual abilities and talents as more important than myself? I can do it by looking at Jesus, that's how.

How do I compare to Jesus? Like a drop of water in the bottom of an otherwise empty 50-gallon drum, I am nothing, and the Lord died for me. One person wrote that the person who is able to think this way is "the one who is so conscious of his dependence on God, and of his own imperfections and nothingness, that his own gifts only remind him that others must have gifts also, while his sense of his own utter nothingness suggests to him that these gifts may well be superior to his own, and higher in nature and degree."

Thinking this way, it becomes possible for me to "not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others." Paul's point is that the feelings, interests, and needs of our brethren are to be put before and above our own. That does not mean to ignore our own needs, but to subordinate them to the needs of others. In Romans 12:10 Paul put it this way: "Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor."

Just think of how this understanding would affect our conduct in very practical ways. All of the sick would be visited and cared for just because we would be thinking about them. No one's burdens would have to be borne alone -- because brothers and sisters would always be there with arms extended to help pick them up. We would all be present at every service that our health allowed because we would be concerned about considering one another, to "provoke unto love and good works" (Hebrews 10:24). Arguments concerning non-doctrinal issues would be laid aside; they would cease, because the brethren involved in them would be more respectful of the preferences of others. Even when I have been sinned against, if I understand Paul's teaching in Philippians 2, then I am going to be most concerned about the spiritual welfare of the other person. That changes my entire attitude.

When I live my life recognizing that I am to follow the example of Jesus and to see others as more important than myself, I will engage in personal evangelism even when it is inconvenient or makes me feel uncomfortable. I will be moral and conduct myself as a child of God should every minute of every day because I want to give the best possible example that I can to every one with whom I come into contact. Christianity is not about me -- that proved to be a hard lesson for me to learn. It is about the other person.

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Remember count your blessings, pray for our lost ones, the sick, the world and the broken-hearted.

HOME SICK:, Pat Wade, Matt Orman

HOSPITAL: Janie Chapman (TCH)

SUGERY RECOVERY: Dala Vandygriff

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CANCER: Ray Henderson, Billy Gross, Wade Carmichael, Tiny Willis, Billy McBryde (Rita Smith's Father), George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Ralph Shaw (Janie Chapman's Son-in-law), Loxlee Eaton, David South, Eddie Mauney, Haley Loveless, Sidra Davis, Tish Clark, Kevin Clifton, Austin Wentz, Betty Faye Ledbury

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