

Questions on Holy Communion:

1. Compare Paul's account of the Lord's Supper with that given by Luke in Luke 22:14-23. What is the same and what is different? What might be the reasons for the differences?
2. In Luke's account Jesus say. "'I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer.'" How might the Passover help the disciples (and us) understand what Jesus is doing at this last meal with his disciples?
3. In what ways do we see the Corinthians misusing the Lord's Supper in this passage?
4. How might we be misusing the Lord's Supper in our context?
5. What does Paul mean by "eating and drinking judgment on oneself"?
6. Why does Paul say that many in the Corinthian church were weak and sick, and some had even died?
7. What does it mean to participate in the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner?
8. How can we examine ourselves before we participate in the Lord's Supper?
9. How can we make sure that our gatherings for the Lord's Supper are truly a time of unity and fellowship, rather than a time of division and inequality?
10. How can we make sure that our celebrations of the Lord's Supper are focused on Jesus and his sacrifice for us, rather than on ourselves?
11. What are some practical ways that we can apply the principles of this passage to our own lives and churches?