How to Worship

- But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. 24 God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." Jn. 4:23-24
- Must understand "spirit and truth" to be genuine!
- Truth Exactly what God has commanded!
- Done by faith and submission to His word Abel
- Spirit Using our spirit (mind, emotions, will) in exact compliance (by faith) with God's commands

- More written on Communion / Lord's Supper than any other act of worship:
- Who commanded it and why
- What we are to do, how & when we do it
- Thorough discussion of error and abuses

• Mt. 26:26-38 Acts 20:7

• Mk. 14:22-25 Acts 2:42

• Lk. 22:17-20 1Cor. 11:17-22,

• 1Cor. 11:23-26 1Cor. 11:27-33

- Large diversity of opinion and many controversies
- Frequency:
 - Annually, bimonthly, monthly, daily, only at night
- Elements:
 - Juice; water; bread only;
 - Leavened / Unleavened
 - Alcohol / Fresh Juice
- One Cup / Multi Cups
- Open / Closed Communion only members enforced
- Transubstantiation actually becomes body / blood
- Consubstantiation Body and bread, blood and juice side by side, both present but no physical change.

THE COMMAND: SPIRIT & TRUTH

• For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; 24 and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me. 25 In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me. 1 Cor 11:23-25

THE COMMAND: DETAILS

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GOSPEL &CCOUNTS &DD DETAILS

- And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body."
- Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. 28 For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.
- But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom." Mt. 26:26-28

GOSPEL ACCOUNTS ADD DETAILS

- 22 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them and said, "Take, eat; this is My body."
- 23 Then He took the cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them, and they all drank from it. 24 And He said to them, "This is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many. 25 Assuredly, I say to you, I will no longer drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." Mark 14:22-25

GOSPEL ACCOUNTS ADD DETAILS

- Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; 18 for I say to you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."
- And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me."
- Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you. Lk. 22:16-22

THE NIGHT HE WAS BETRAYED

- A Special Emphasis!
- One of His Final Requests
- Took Bread, gave thanks, broke it
- This is my body which is for you
- This do In remembrance of me

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AN UNWORTHY MANNER

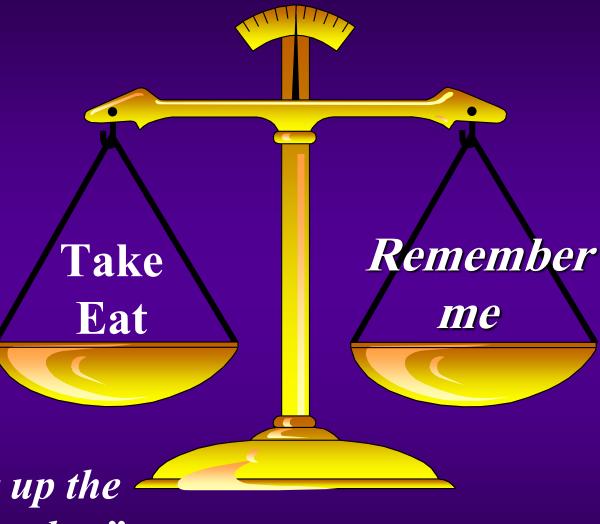
- Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. <u>1Cor</u> <u>11:27-28</u>
- "axios" "bringing up the other beam of the scales," "bringing into equilibrium."
- "anaxios" "NOT bringing up the other beam of the scales," "NOT bringing into equilibrium."

An Unworthy Manner



A Worthy Manner

Unleavened bread grape juice
Every first day
Eat food at home in remembrance

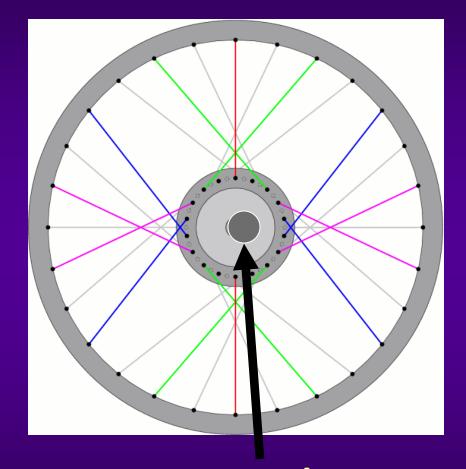


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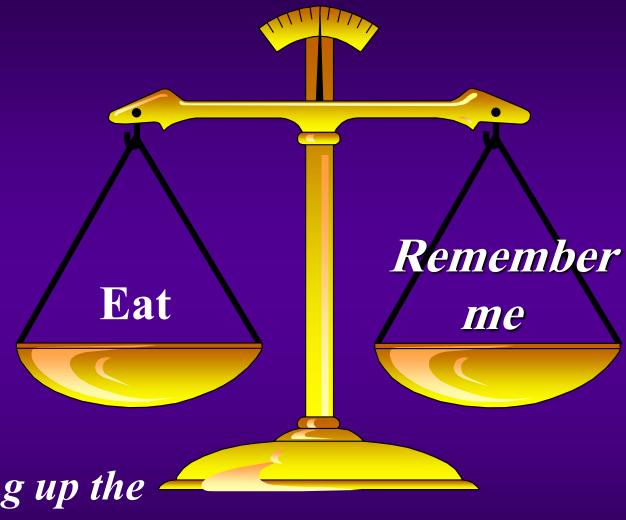
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EXAMINE YOURSELF

- For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. 30 For this reason many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep. 31 For if we would judge ourselves, we would not be judged. 1 Cor 11:29-32
- Severe Consequences both now and in eternity.
- Must discern the Lord's body!
- Must be examining and testing to be certain.
- If we haven't or aren't must acknowledge we are weak, sick or spiritually sleeping (dead?)

EXAMINE YOURSELF

- But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. 29 For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. 1Cor 11:28-30
- "dokimazo... to test, examine, prove, scrutinize to see whether a thing be genuine or not...deem worthy,"
- Heart and conscience bearing witness, accusing or excusing...