

THEM THAT HONOR ME
Make Much Of God & His Things

I. **We must discern The Lord's things—1Co11:20—***When ye come together therefore into one place, this is not to eat THE LORD'S SUPPER (NCV-You are not really eating the Lord's supper). ²¹ For in eating every one taketh before other HIS OWN SUPPER: and one is hungry, and another is drunken. ²² What? HAVE YE NOT HOUSES to eat and to drink in? or DESPISE (disesteem, think little to nothing of) ye THE CHURCH OF GOD, and shame (dishonor) them that have not? what shall I say to you? shall I praise you in this? I praise you not. ²³ For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, that the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread: ²⁴ And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: THIS IS MY BODY, which is broken for you: this DO IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME. ²⁵ After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, this cup is the new testament in MY BLOOD: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in REMEMBRANCE OF ME. ²⁶ For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, YE DO SHEW THE LORD'S DEATH till he come. ²⁷ Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, UNWORTHILY, (without regard or respect, in an unworthy manner) shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸ But let a man EXAMINE HIMSELF, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. ²⁹ For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh DAMNATION (judgement) to himself, not DISCERNING the Lord's body [Separate thoroughly, make distinction (difference made), distinguishing (knowing or perceiving a difference), capable of seeing, knowing]. ³³ Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for another. ³⁴ And if any man hunger, let him EAT AT HOME.*

A. Should the Lord's supper be treated differently than our supper?—They're treating The Lord's supper like it's their supper; Eating because they're hungry

1. Have ye not houses to eat in—He makes distinction that how you eat/approach your supper is not the same way you eat/approach The Lord's supper

B. They're despising the church of God—They're in God's place, eating His supper and they're eating because their hungry and even taking so much others get none; This is a lack of regard for His Church, that is the, assembly, the structure and the people

1. What he's ministering to them he received it from The Lord and it's holy—They aren't treating it like it is

C. They ate and drank unworthily or irreverently—They're treating that which is holy like a common meal—CEV—Examine the way you eat and drink

1. 2 errors they made—1.Taking before others 2.Eating because they're hungry

2. It was to be done in remembrance of him—This is my body NOT your supper

D. They didn't discern the Lord's body and that's why they drank unworthily—They didn't make a distinction, perceive the difference between their supper and His supper—29-AC—For anyone who eats and drinks without discriminating and recognizing with due appreciation that [it is Christ's] body

1. A failure to discern the Lord's things leads to dishonor—Lack awareness of what you're handling, so you mishandle it and dishonor Him; When handling His things we need to be aware of it and treat them like they're holy, not common

2. Everything is not the Lord's/holy and distinction must be made—1Co7:32—He that is unmarried cares for the things that belong to the Lord, how he may please the Lord; he that is married cares for the things that are of the world, how he may please his wife; 1Co9:13—They which minister about holy things live of the things of the temple

II. **When we discern something is God's, we make much of it**

A. We must not treat lightly the things of God—Mt22:2—The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son, ³ And sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and THEY WOULD NOT COME. ⁴ Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared MY dinner: MY oxen and MY fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage. ⁵ But THEY MADE LIGHT OF IT (not regard, careless), and went their ways, one to HIS farm, another to HIS merchandise (business)

1. Cared more about their things than His—MY dinner; His farm, His business
 2. To them this dinner was no big deal—To the king it was a big deal
- B. We make much of God/His things—We invest time and resources, even spend extra time and money, we sacrifice, we'll be inconvenienced for it
1. To magnify is to see big—**Ps34:3**—MAGNIFY the Lord with me, and let us EXALT his name together (A.Heb—Lifted up as a highly prized item); **Is42:21**—The Lord..will magnify the law, (make large in honor, become important, increase one's honor) and make it honorable
 2. He magnified his service—**Rm11:13**—I MAGNIFY (esteem, honor) mine OFFICE (service, ministry)
 3. It's not about the clothes, it's about making a big deal that God is coming—**Ex19:9**—The Lord said unto Moses, Lo, I come unto thee in a thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with thee, and believe thee forever. And Moses told the words of the people unto the Lord. ¹⁰And the Lord said unto Moses, Go unto the people, and sanctify them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their clothes, ¹¹And be ready against the third day: for the third day the Lord will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai
- C. Honor requires effort—This is why the flesh hates honor
1. 2 of the flesh's favorites phrases—"Oh it's just" and "It's no big deal" because if it's just a "just" and "no big deal" no honor or effort is required
 2. The flesh likes casual because it requires little to no effort—Casual is what you do when something is not a big deal and it is unacceptable when it comes to how we approach the things of God
 3. The church has gotten rid of things in the name of comfort or convenience not realizing everything is not about your comfort or convenience it's about honoring God and if you have to be a little uncomfortable or inconvenienced to do that then so be it—**Jer6:16**—Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein.
- D. One of the big problems when it comes to honor is a mismanaged value system—That is attaching the wrong value to thing and treating what is a big deal like it's no big deal and treating what isn't a big deal like it is—**Lev26:15**—**CEV**—I warn you not to treat lightly my offerings; **Mal:12**—Ye have **PROFANED** (BDB—treat as common) it, in that ye say The table of the Lord is polluted and the fruit thereof, even **HIS** meat is **CONTEMPTIBLE** (despise)
1. For us to honor God our value system has to match His and what's important to Him needs to be important to us—There are things God values that men don't and things men value, God doesn't
 2. Much of what is going on in the Earth means nothing to God—**Ec1:14**—I have seen all the works that are done under the sun; and behold, all is vanity and vexation of spirit