

Sunday Worship 9-26-21
Sermon: The Power of Communion!

Text for Today:

1 Corinthians 15:57

But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

UNDERSTANDING WE NEED TO LIVE IN VICTORY:

1. God is _____ which means He sits _____ of His creation.
 - a. Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.
 - b. Isaiah 55:8-9 For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways," says the LORD. 9 "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.
 - c. Romans 11:33-36 Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out! 34 "For who has known the mind of the LORD? Or who has become His counselor?" 35 "Or who has first given to Him And it shall be repaid to him?" 36 For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.

UNDERSTANDING WE NEED TO LIVE IN VICTORY:

2. God created the _____ system to _____ for _____.
 - a. Leviticus 17:11 For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood that makes atonement for the soul.'

UNDERSTANDING WE NEED TO LIVE IN VICTORY:

3. God challenges us to _____ the table of the Lord _____.
 - a. Malachi 1:6-8 (MSG) 6 "Isn't it true that a son honors his father and a worker his master? So if I'm your Father, where's the honor? If I'm your Master, where's the respect?" GOD-of-the-Angel-Armies is calling you on the carpet: "You priests despise me! "You say, 'Not so! How do we despise you?' "By your shoddy, sloppy, defiling worship. "You ask, 'What do you mean, "defiling"? What's defiling about it?' 7-8 "When you say, 'The altar of GOD is not important anymore; worship of GOD is no longer a priority,' that's defiling. And when you offer worthless animals for sacrifices in worship, animals that you're trying to get rid of-blind and sick and

crippled animals-isn't that defiling? Try a trick like that with your banker or your senator-how far do you think it will get you?" GOD-of-the-Angel-Armies asks you.

UNDERSTANDING WE NEED TO LIVE IN VICTORY:

4. Christ came as the _____ and He invited us to His _____.

a. 1 Corinthians 10:15-17 I speak as to wise men; judge for yourselves what I say. 16 The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? 17 For we, though many, are one bread and one body; for we all partake of that one bread.

b. 1 Corinthians 10:21 You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons; you cannot partake of the Lord's table and of the table of demons.

This seems to be a big deal in our day:

Some people are trying to merge their love for this world and their love for Jesus together. The Lord is saying through His Word, this will not work!

c. 1 Corinthians 10:23 All things are lawful for me, but not all things are helpful; all things are lawful for me, but not all things edify.

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5. It is at God's table that you invite the _____ and the _____ of the Lord Jesus Christ into your life.

a. 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 (NKJV) 23 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." 26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes.

UNDERSTANDING WE NEED TO LIVE IN VICTORY:

Point 5 Continued...

The suffering of Christ that has deep meaning to our healing.

b. His suffering was _____. (Isaiah 52:14) declares, His appearance was so disfigured beyond that of any man.

c. His suffering was _____. All the disciples deserted Him and fled (Matthew 26:56).

d. His suffering was _____. "God made Him who had no sin to be sin for us" (2 Corinthians 5:21). Jesus had the weight of the sins and suffering of the entire world on Him (1 John 2:2).

Conclusion:

Christ won the victory over sin and over the demonic presence in this world. You can live in His victory!

This is the POWER of COMMUNION!

This is why the Psalmist said that right in the middle of everything going on in your life... Psalm 23:5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.

Reflection:

Whatever your need, your situation, or circumstances, Jesus suffered so you can have victory in your life!

Whether physical, emotional, or spiritual, Jesus came forth with victory over all these things!

Come to His table and receive!