

“Communion-Fellowship?”

1 Corinthians 10:16, 17

Big Idea – Man was created for fellowship with God and others.

Revelation 4:11 “You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power: for You have created all things, and for Your pleasure they are and were created.”

1. Adam & Eve enjoyed fellowship with God in the Garden.
2. Sin broke their fellowship – they knew they were guilty and hid from God
3. God had a plan – a perfect Lamb who would be the sacrifice for their sins.

In Egypt God’s people had to sacrifice a perfect lamb so the death angel would not kill the firstborn in their household. The Passover feast remembered the Exodus and God’s salvation of His people. From then on, in the OT God’s people had to sacrifice perfect lambs to cover their sins until God’s final Lamb, Jesus came. John 1:29 “behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

4. Jesus Christ celebrated this Passover with His disciples right before His death and turned it into the Lord’s Supper, the Lord’s Table.

5. Paul talked about it in 1 Cor. 10 & 11 – turn to chapter 10 and follow as I read.

Vs. 16 – Fellowship

Vs. 17 – Harmony – contrast this with

11:18 – Division

Vs. 21 – Selfishness

Vs. 23, 24 – Thanksgiving in spite of betrayal

Vs. 24b – A picture of Jesus

Vs. 25, 26 – A proclaiming of His death

6. Hebrews 10: 22 let us come near to God with a sincere heart and a sure faith, because we have been made free from a guilty conscience, and our bodies have been washed with pure water.

23 Let us hold firmly to the hope that we have confessed, because we can trust God to do what he promised.

24 Let us think about each other and help each other to show love and do good deeds.

25 You should not stay away from the church meetings, as some are doing, but you should meet together and encourage each other. Do this even more as you see the day coming.