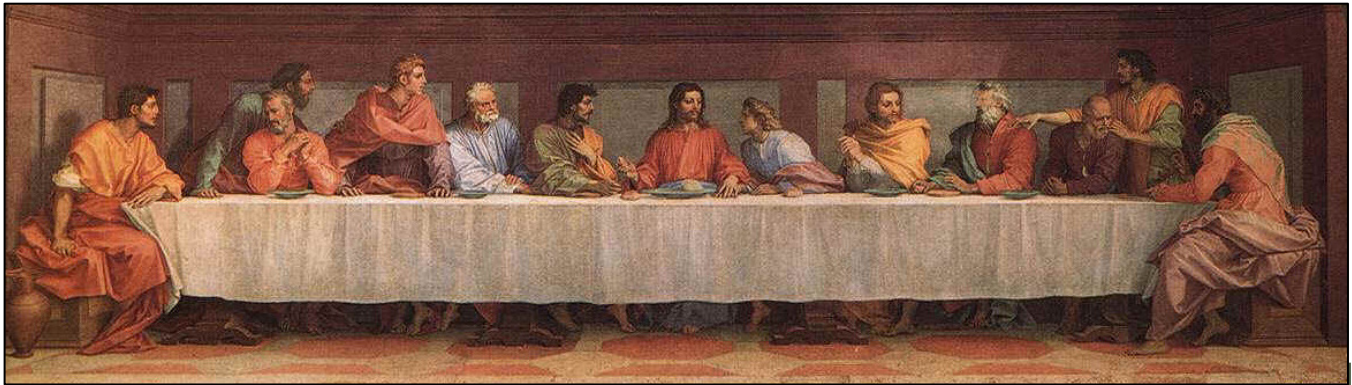


Small Group Study

Celebrating Our Freedom

From the sermon series, "Living a Christ-Centered Life"



The Lord's Supper

SCRIPTURE

Have a volunteer read the following scripture:
1 Corinthians 11:17-34

QUESTIONS

Please feel free to adjust this study to fit your group's needs and to listen to the direction of the Holy Spirit. It is not necessary to use all of the questions.

1. Why do you feel that it is important to take part in the Communion?

What do you think the significance is in sharing a meal with other believers in remembrance of Jesus and his sacrifice?

2. Communion can be a time to look forward to Jesus' return. Share with your group some specific ways that reflecting on the future event should altar your behavior today.

3. What areas of your life present the greatest challenge as you seek to live in a way that properly acknowledges Christ's sacrifice?

Icebreakers

Use the questions below to help people open up and to focus your meeting. It is very helpful to go around in a circle with the leader going first. (Remember if you have new members or guests you should take time to introduce everyone.)

1. What memories do you have of family meals? What customs did your family hold during meals?

2. What is your favorite food or your favorite restaurant to eat at?

3. Share a memory of a time when you felt welcomed, accepted and at home in a new environment. What specifically did people do to make you feel this way?

4. How do you feel someone would take part in the Lord's Supper in an unworthy manner?

5. What, in your opinion, should be included in the act of examining ourselves?

6. Church is supposed to be a place where walls and barriers come down. As you consider your own heart, do you find that you have a deep love for your brothers and sisters in Christ, or do you think of them as strangers who happen to be on your side of the religious fence? Do you find yourself forgetting that the way you treat others Christians is the way you treat Christ and the church he loves?

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