"Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup

of the Lord in an *unworthy* manner will be guilty of

profaning the body and blood of the Lord"

1 Corinthians 11:27

The meaning of axios is to keep in Balance the two scale pans in a scale. The item put in one of the scales is balance when the other item have equal weight, meaning equal value.

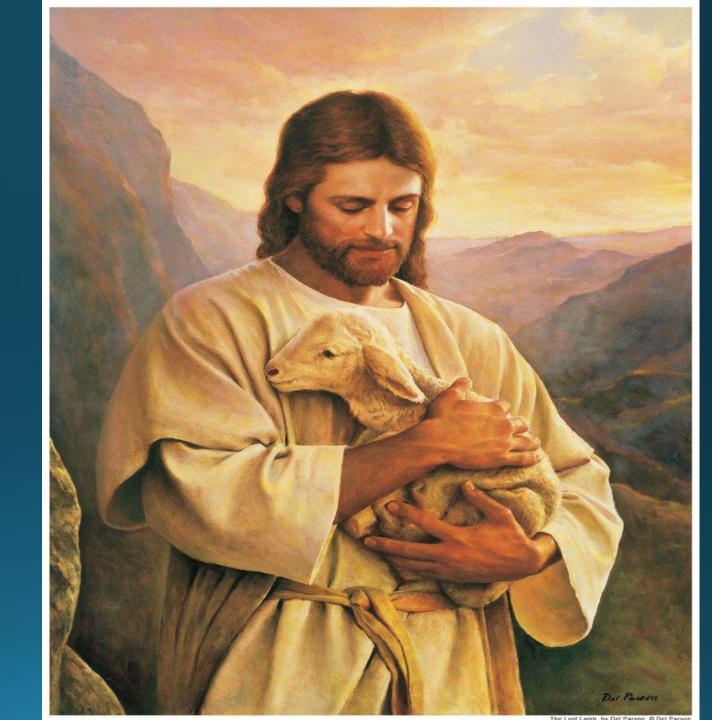


Christian are to be

measure to Christ :

bear fruit that befits

repentance' Matt. 3:8



When we compare ourselves to Jesus we should have The experience of the Roman Centurion

> So Jesus went with them. He was not far from the house when the centurion sent friends to say to him: "Lord, don't trouble yourself, for I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. Luke 7:6

Who is really worthy?

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,

to receive power and wealth and

wisdom and might and honor

and glory and blessing! Rev. 5:12



Jesus give us our value and Worthiness

"I give thanks to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength for my work. I thank him for considering me *worthy*, and appointing me to serve him." 1 Tim. 1:12

What is the meaning of worthy in the context of 1 Corinthians 11 When you meet together, you don't really celebrate the Lord's Supper. You even start eating before everyone gets to the meeting, and some of you go hungry, while others get drunk. Don't you have homes where you can eat and drink? Do you hate God's church? Do you want to embarrass people who don't have anything? What can I say to you? I certainly cannot praise you. 1 Corinthians 11:20 - 22 CEV

- The apostle Paul needed to re-explain the importance of this ordinance
- because its real significance had been lost. After Paul clarified the
- meaning of the service, he warned them not to make the same
- mistake again. Instead, he tells them to consume these emblems,
- all the while remembering Jesus' sacrifice as they do.

J. Pöhler, "Unworthiness does not consist in the moral quality, that is, the character of the participants of the Holy Supper, but is the result of the wrong way of considering the Holy meal, with which we contradict the solemnity of the service.

The Minister's Manual: "(Paul) is not speaking of unworthy people who participate, but of an unworthy manner in which they participate."

Seventh- day Adventist Minister Manual, 212

But if you eat the bread and drink the wine in a way that isn't worthy of the Lord, you sin against his body and blood. That's why you must examine the way you eat and drink. If you fail to understand that you are the body of the Lord, you will condemn yourselves by the way you eat and drink.

Then Satan entered the heart of Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve apostles Luke 22:3

When the time came for Jesus and the apostles to eat, he said to them, "I have very much wanted to eat this Passover meal with you before I suffer. I tell you that I will not eat another Passover meal until it is finally eaten in God's kingdom." Jesus took a cup of wine in his hands and gave thanks to God. Then he told the apostles, "Take this wine and share it with each other. I tell you that I will not drink any more wine until God's kingdom comes."

Jesus took some bread in his hands and gave thanks for it. He broke the bread and handed it to his apostles. Then he said, "This is my body, which is given for you. Eat this as a way of remembering me!" After the meal he took another cup of wine in his hands. Then he said, "This is my blood. It is poured out for you, and with it God makes his new agreement. Luke 22:14-20

"Though Jesus knew Judas from the beginning, He washed his feet. . . A long-suffering Saviour held out every inducement for the sinner to receive Him, to repent, and to be cleansed from the defilement of sin. . . . It was because the disciples were erring and faulty that He washed their feet, and all but one of the twelve were thus brought to repentance."

Ellen G. White, The Desire of Ages 655, 656.

"The Communion service was not to be a season of sorrowing. ... As the Lord's disciples gather about His table, they are not to remember and lament their shortcomings. They are not to dwell upon their past religious experience, whether that experience has been elevating or depressing.... Now they come to meet with Christ."

Ellen G. White, The Desire of Ages 660

Today we have an encounter with our friend, Today we encounter Jesus.

