

Selfish Spirituality? I Cor 11:17-22 Part 1

Review- Paul has at length described the proper attitude and actions concerning meat that is associated with the idol market. 8-10 He has asked that Christians adopt an attitude of selflessness and sensitivity to others as Paul himself has modeled 8:13. Paul continues concerning the issue of sensitivity, selflessness, and submission by giving a principle in light of another problem at the church. The women were not demonstrating a submissive attitude at the church service and so Paul educates and exhorts both men and women to understand the orderliness that is to be manifested during the worship service (gathering of the church) 11:2-16. Paul now continues to deal with another social spiritual problem at the church service involving body life of the saints and communion with the Savior 11:17-34

The Church must observe the Lord's Supper in a manner which Reverences the Lord or they will be Judged for their Irreverence

Issue for Paul- Disorderliness and Inequality at the Lords Supper

I. The Problem 11:17-22

The Divisiveness and Gluttony of the Corinthians at the Lords supper results in the ordinance losing all significance for them.

A. The Cultural Situation

B. The Corinthian Situation

1. The People were Schizoid :17-19

2. The People were Selfish :20-22

a. The Meeting of the Church

b. The Assessment of Paul