Introduction

I. LD 30, as it describes for us the proper partakers of the Lord's Supper is both comforting and convicting.

II. May the Lord use this word to comfort us and assure us that we are believers.

For Believers Only

I. Confessing Christ

A. We see from Scripture that the Lord's Supper was instituted only for believers who know and confess faith in Jesus Christ. Acts 2:42; I Cor. 11:18, 20, 33. What about children?

B. We should look at this from the other point of view – who does the admitting and the barring? Jesus Christ does this through the elders of the church – close communion.

II. Repenting of Sin

A. The HC reminds of what a true believer is who may partake of the Lord's Supper.
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B. Why is this so important?

III. A Strong Warning

A. There is a strong warning for those who eat without a true sorrow or trusting in Christ or turning from that sin. The reason is that those who partake eat and drink judgment to themselves.

B. There is a strong warning to the church as a whole, if it does not exercise proper oversight of the Lord's Supper – God's wrath will be kindled against the whole congregation.