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1 Corinthians 11:23-26

The Lord's Supper: Remembrance, Proclamation & Hope

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The Lord's Supper Echoes The Last Supper

1 Corinthians 11:23 (NASB)

For I received from the Lord that which I also **delivered** to you, that the Lord Jesus in the night in which He was **betrayed** took bread;

- Paul received and delivered *paradido_mi* the institution of the Lord's Supper
- He references Jesus' betrayal (Luke 22:21, 22) at the Last Supper

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The Lord Jesus Instituted His Supper

1 Corinthians 11:24 (NASB)

and when He **had given thanks**, He broke it and said, "This is My body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me."

- "Given thanks" is *eucharisteo* which implies blessing God the giver
- "Do" is imperative in the Greek, as it is in Luke 22:19

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A Supper of Remembrance

1 Corinthians 11:25 (NASB)

In the same way He took the cup also after supper, saying, "This cup is the **new covenant in My blood**; do this, as often as you drink it, in **remembrance of Me**."

- This was the third cup of the Passover
- We remember what God did to make us His people
- See Luke 22:20

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Fellowship in Christ

1 Corinthians 10:16 (NASB)

Is not the **cup of blessing which we bless** a **sharing in the blood** of Christ? Is not the bread which we break a **sharing in the body** of Christ?

- "Sharing" is *koino_nia* = sharing a common life together in Christ
- 1 Corinthians 5:7b "For Christ our Passover also has been sacrificed."

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A Supper of Proclamation

1 Corinthians 11:26 (NASB)

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, **you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes**.

- We proclaim the efficacy of His once for all death for sins giving us forgiveness
- We proclaim our true fellowship with Him and one another
- We proclaim our belief in His promised return

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Implications and Applications

- Our true hope is in what God has done, once for all
- Our hope is secure because of the new covenant promises

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Our Hope Is in Christ Alone

Hebrews 9:28 (NASB)

...so Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time for salvation without reference to sin, to those who eagerly await Him.

Isaiah 53:11b (NASB)

By His knowledge the Righteous One, My Servant, **will justify the many**, As He will bear their iniquities.

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Our Hope Is Secure

Hebrews 10:15-17 (ESV)

And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying, "**This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days**, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds," then he adds, "**I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.**"

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