

Disciples Church

Lesson: Lord’s Supper - Week of September 20, 2017

**DISCUSSION GUIDE**

**Q112. What is the *Lord's Supper*?**

The Lord’s Supper is a holy, New Covenant ordinance from our Lord Jesus, whereby professing believers gather together regularly to remember, celebrate, and testify of the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ by the eating of bread and the drinking of wine, which symbolize the body and blood of Jesus. This is a regular practice and testimony for those who are saved by God.

1. Read **Romans 5:9.**

* What is it that Christ ultimately saves us from?
* Why is it important for us to acknowledge God’s righteous wrath against sin?
* What is the danger in rejecting or even downplaying the doctrine of God’s wrath?

1. Read **John 1:29** & **1 John 1:17.**

* Why is Jesus referred to as the Lamb of God?
* What was the ultimate purpose of the Old Testament sacrificial system?
* Why is it unnecessary to ever sacrifice animals again?

1. Many professing Christians today want to say that the gospel is good news and it does not require us to acknowledge our sinfulness or God’s wrath.

* How does the ordinance of the Lord’s Supper highlight the error in this way of thinking about the gospel?
* How does practicing the Lord’s Supper magnify the good news of the gospel?

6. Read **Luke 22:19.**

* What is the significance of the bread used in the Lord’s Supper?

1. We saw tonight that wine not only *is* a blessing, but that it *symbolizes* blessing both in the Old and the New Covenant. How does this overall symbolism tie into what the wine specifically symbolizes in the Lord’s Supper?
2. Why and when was wine replaced with grape juice?

* What did the Welch family have to create in order to produce a non-alcoholic version of juice of grapes?
* Was this change (wine replaced with grape juice) supported with biblical reasons?

1. How did the change from wine to grape juice emphasize the human notion of “sin management” over and above the life-giving power of the gospel message?
2. What is the significance of the Old Covenant Passover for believers today?
3. How is the Old Testament Passover celebration and the Lord’s Supper in the New Testament similar? How are they different?

* Spend some time in prayer.