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Come Ready to "Discern" and "Partake" of the "Body" and "Blood" of Jesus Christ.

Have your communing elements with you and ready.



To "discern" means to...

- Recognize
- Make out
- Distinguish
- Differentiate
- Espy/descry (catch sight of).



To not discern will mean to...

- Overlook
- Miss



The Point...

- Is not to miss out on the benefits of both the body and blood of Jesus.
- Is to identify and distinguish the purpose of the body of Jesus from the purpose of the blood of Jesus.



To "partake" means to...

- Consume
- Eat
- Drink
- Take
- Take part in



The Body of Jesus Christ – Suffered disrespect, contempt, humiliation, etc.).

- Matthew 26:67 (NIV)

- 67 Then they <u>spit in his face</u> and struck him with their fists. Others <u>slapped him</u>
- ⁶⁸ and said, <u>"Prophesy to us, Messiah. Who hit you?"</u>

- Matthew 27:27-31 (NIV)

- ²⁷Then the governor's soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers around him.
- ²⁸ They <u>stripped him</u> and put a scarlet robe on him,
- ²⁹ and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand. Then they knelt in front of him and <u>mocked him</u>. "Hail, king of the Jews!" they said.
- ³⁰ They <u>spit on him</u>, and took the staff and <u>struck him on the head</u> again and again.
- ³¹ After they had <u>mocked him,</u> they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him.

Then they led him away to crucify him.



The Body of Jesus Christ - Despised

- Matthew 27:35-44 (NIV)
- ³⁵ When they had crucified him, they divided up his clothes by <u>casting lots.</u>
- ³⁶ And sitting down, they kept watch over him there.
- Above his head they placed the written charge against him: <u>THIS IS JESUS, THE KING OF THE JEWS.</u>
- ³⁸Two rebels were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left.
- ³⁹Those who passed by <u>hurled insults</u> at him, <u>shaking their heads</u>
- ⁴⁰ and saying, "You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! Come down from the cross, if you are the Son of God!"
- ⁴¹ In the same way the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders <u>mocked him</u>.
- "He saved others," they said, "but he can't save himself! He's the king of Israel! Let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him.
- He trusts in God. Let God rescue him now if he wants him, for he said, 'I am the Son of God.'"
- In the same way the rebels who were crucified with him also heaped insults on him.

The Body of Jesus Christ – Wrongly Accused, Reputation Questioned.

Matthew 27:63 (NIV)

"Sir," they said, "we remember that while he was still alive that <u>deceiver</u> said, 'After three days I will rise again.



The Attitude of Jesus Christ - Our Attitude

- Hebrews 12:2 (KJV)

Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of *our* faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

- Hebrews 12:2 (AMPC)

² Looking away [from all that will distract] to Jesus, Who is the Leader and the Source of our faith [giving the first incentive for our belief] and is also its Finisher [bringing it to maturity and perfection].

He, for the joy [of obtaining the prize] that was set before Him, endured the cross, despising and ignoring the shame, and is now seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

kataphroneó: to think little of



The Blood of Jesus Christ

1 Corinthians 11:25 (NIV)

In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."



What do you remember about the blood?

The Blood of Jesus Christ	The Blood of Jesus Christ
Has a voice which speaks	Propitiates
Hebrews 12:24	Romans 3:24-25a; 1 John 2:2
Forgives	Justifies
Ephesians 1:7; Matthew 26:28	Romans 3:24-25a
Redeems	Reconciles
Romans 3:24–25a; Ephesians 1:7	Ephesians 2:13
Grant access	Cleanses
Hebrews 10:19-21	1 John 1:7
Clears the way	Carries a message
Hebrews 10:19-21	Hebrews 12:24



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