



WHOSE REPORT WILL YOU BELIEVE?

LORD'S SUPPER TEACHING

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KEY TEXTS

Isaiah 53:1 • 1 Corinthians 11:23–26

CENTRAL TRUTH

The world, the enemy, and our circumstances may present their reports—but the Lord's Table calls us to believe God's report revealed through the finished work of Jesus Christ.

Introduction: Every Voice Is Giving a Report

Isaiah asks, “Who has believed our report?” That question reaches every generation. We are surrounded by reports: medical reports, financial reports, family reports, news reports, memories of failure, and accusations from the enemy. These reports may describe real conditions, but none of them has the authority to define God's character, cancel Christ's finished work, or determine our eternal identity.

At the Lord's Table, Jesus gives us another report. The bread says His body was given for us. The cup says His blood established the new covenant. Communion is therefore not an escape from reality. It is a declaration that the cross is the highest truth by which we interpret every reality.

Faith does not require us to deny facts or reject wise medical, financial, or pastoral counsel. Faith brings every fact under the authority of God. We acknowledge the condition while refusing to make it our master. We listen responsibly, pray confidently, obey God faithfully, and place our final hope in Christ.

1. BELIEVE THE REPORT OF THE BLOOD

Scriptures: *Hebrews 9:14; Revelation 12:11; Ephesians 1:7*

At the table, the cup announces that the price of redemption has been paid. We are not forgiven because we have explained away our sins or earned another opportunity. We are forgiven because Jesus poured out His blood for us.

- Your sins are forgiven.
- The debt has been paid.
- You have been redeemed and brought near to God.
- The accuser no longer has the final case against you.

The enemy's report says, “You are what you did.” The blood says, “In Christ, you are redeemed.” Guilt may remind us of our past, but the blood cleanses the conscience so that we can serve the living God. Condemnation drives us away from God; conviction draws us toward repentance and restoration.

COMMUNION EMPHASIS

When we receive the cup, we agree that the blood of Jesus speaks a better word than guilt, condemnation, shame, and failure.



The Blood Gives Us a New Standing

Revelation 12:11 connects victory with the blood of the Lamb and the word of testimony. Our testimony begins with what Jesus accomplished, not with our personal strength. We overcome because the sacrifice of Christ has changed our standing before God.

This does not make grace permission to continue in sin. The blood that forgives also calls us to come out of darkness. We confess honestly, receive cleansing, and live as people who belong to a new covenant.

Prayer: *Lord Jesus, thank You for Your blood. Silence condemnation, cleanse our consciences, and restore the joy of salvation. Help us live as people who have truly been redeemed.*

2. BELIEVE THE REPORT OF THE WORD

Scriptures: *Isaiah 55:11; John 1:14; John 6:63; Hebrews 4:12*

The bread points to the body of Christ, and Christ is the eternal Word who became flesh. The promises of God are not empty religious language. God's Word carries His character, authority, and purpose.

Isaiah declares that God's Word does not return empty; it accomplishes what He sends it to do. Jesus says His words are spirit and life. Hebrews describes the Word as living and active. At Communion, we do more than remember a historical death—we renew our agreement with the truth revealed in Christ.

What God's Word Announces

- When sickness speaks, God's Word reveals Christ as healer and sustainer.
- When fear speaks, God's Word announces the peace and presence of Christ.
- When despair speaks, God's Word gives living hope.
- When death speaks, God's Word announces resurrection and eternal life.

Believing God's report does not mean demanding that God follow our preferred timetable. It means trusting that His character is faithful, His promises are sure, and His wisdom is greater than ours. Sometimes He changes the situation immediately; sometimes He strengthens us within it; ultimately, He will make all things new.

COMMUNION EMPHASIS

When we receive the bread, we agree with the living Word: Christ's promise is greater than every voice of fear, despair, limitation, and death.

How to Stand on the Word

- Read the promise in its biblical context.
- Receive it with humility and faith.
- Speak it without exaggeration or presumption.
- Obey the instruction connected to the promise.
- Remain faithful while waiting for God's outcome.

Prayer: *Father, establish Your Word in our hearts. Deliver us from agreement with fear and unbelief. Give us grace to hear, believe, obey, and patiently stand on Your promises.*



3. BELIEVE THE REPORT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Scriptures: *Acts 10:38; Romans 8:11; 2 Corinthians 1:21–22*

The same Holy Spirit who anointed Jesus now lives in believers. The Spirit does not replace the cross or add to Christ's finished work. He makes the reality of that work known and active within us.

The Ministry of the Spirit

- He applies the benefits of Christ's sacrifice to our lives.
- He gives assurance that we belong to God.
- He strengthens us in weakness and teaches us to pray.
- He empowers holy living and victory over sin.
- He equips the Church to witness, serve, and demonstrate Christ's compassion.

Romans 8:11 declares that the Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead lives in us. This is not permission for pride or spiritual performance. It is a call to dependence. Victory is not produced by human willpower alone; it is the fruit of yielding daily to the Spirit.

The anointing does not make us independent of Scripture, accountability, or the Body of Christ. The Spirit who empowered Jesus also formed in Him humility, obedience, compassion, and holiness. Any claim to spiritual power that contradicts Christ's character is not God's report.

COMMUNION EMPHASIS

As we partake, we remember the cross and welcome the Holy Spirit to form Christ's life in us—giving strength to obey, courage to witness, and power to overcome.

Prayer: *Holy Spirit, fill us afresh. Apply the truth of the cross to every wounded, weak, and resistant place. Empower us to live holy lives and bear faithful witness to Jesus.*

Conclusion: Choose the Highest Report

At the Lord's Table, we bring every contrary report before Christ. We do not pretend that the doctor, bank statement, family conflict, or painful circumstance says nothing. We refuse, however, to let any temporary report become greater than the eternal report of the cross.

OUR CONFESSION

The blood says I am redeemed. The Word says I am an heir of God's promises. The Holy Spirit says I am not alone—I am empowered to follow Christ.

The table calls us to remember, examine, believe, and proclaim. We remember Christ's sacrifice. We examine our hearts. We believe His covenant. We proclaim His death until He comes.

Closing Declaration

We choose to believe the report of the Lord. Through the blood of Jesus we are forgiven; through His Word we stand on His promises; and through His Spirit we walk in victory. As we partake of this bread and this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. Christ's finished work is greater than every accusation against us, His truth is greater than every voice of fear, and His resurrection life is at work within us. In Jesus' name, amen.