

**Sunday, October 6th, 2013**  
**Sermon Notes**

**THOUGHTS ON THE LORD'S TABLE**

**I Corinthians 11:23**

**FBC-PC 10-6-13 AM**

The Three-Fold Meaning of the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is:

1. a reminder of what Jesus did in the past,
2. a symbol of our present relationship with him, and
3. a promise of what he will do in the future.

The Lord's Table or Communion grew out of the Jewish Passover celebration on the night before Christ's crucifixion.

ORIGINATION - Jesus started it as a church ordinance Himself

    Matt. 26:26-30; Mark. 14:22-26; Luke 22:14-23

OBLIGATION - Mat. 26:27 "this do"; "all...do it" = "all of you, drink of it"

    Quality not quantity

PARTICIPATION -

    WHO - Baptized, obedient, forgiven children of God

    HOW OFTEN - I Cor. 11:26 "as often"

    IN WHAT MANNER - I Cor. 11:27-30; cautious, repentant, confessing

CONSTITUTION - unleavened bread (matzo) and fruit of the vine Luke 22:17-20.

    Four cups were poured and drunk during and after the Passover meal.

    Jesus gave new purpose to cup 3 and cup 4 see Luke 22:17 and 20

INTERPRETATION - three basic beliefs practiced in Christendom

    Transubstantiation - Practiced by Roman Catholics John 6:53-58 is misunderstood as Jesus was with them at that moment and they were eating the matzo. Belief that upon being blessed by a priest bread and wine actually become the body and blood of Christ.

    Consubstantiation - Practiced by Lutherans, Anglicans - Believe the body is present in spirit, at the moment the bread and cup are partaken of.

    Symbolism - "In remembrance of me" Luke 22:19; I Cor. 11:24-25

    Our Practice

LIMITATION - "till He come" I Cor. 11:25-26

Are you properly prepared to partake of the communion of the Lord's Table?