



## Ancient Christian worship

### *Lessons for today – Part 2*

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## 6 areas of Ancient worship:

1. Hymns/songs
2. Invocations
3. Prophecy
4. Prayer
5. Baptism
6. Communion

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## Prayer

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## The perfect prayer.. (Matt 6: 9-13)

Our Father in heaven,  
Hallowed be Your name.  
 10 Your kingdom come.  
 Your will be done  
 On earth as it is in heaven.  
 11 Give us this day our daily bread.  
 12 And forgive us our debts,  
 As we forgive our debtors.  
 13 And do not lead us into temptation,  
 But deliver us from the evil one.  
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the  
glory forever. Amen.

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## Communion

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## Jesus institutes the Lord's supper

Luke 22

14 When the hour had come, He sat down, and the [b]twelve apostles with Him. 15 Then He said to them, "With fervent desire I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; 16 for I say to you, I will no longer eat of it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God."

17 Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; 18 for I say to you, [c] I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."

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## Jesus institutes the Lord's supper

Luke 22

19 And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me."

20 Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you."

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## Jesus – known for?

Luke 24

30 Now it came to pass, as He sat at the table with them, that He took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him; and He vanished from their sight.

35 And they told about the things that had happened on the road, and how He was [i]known to them in the breaking of bread.

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## Many suppers...

- Last supper: not the first or only supper
- Jesus "Frequent, significant, controversial eater"
- "Jesus was killed because of the way he ate.."
- More suppers – post resurrection (John 21; Luke 24)

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## Corinth – 1 Cor 11

23 For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; 24 and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, [d]"Take, eat; this is My body which is [e]broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me." 25 In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." 26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes.

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## Lessons from Corinth..

- 1 Cor 11: 17-34
    - Divisions
    - Factions
    - Social standing, shaming 'have-nots'
    - Hunger, drunkenness, 'ahead of others'
    - Danger : unworthy manner, judgment
    - Examine yourself
- V33 ...when you come together to eat, wait for one another

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## What happens at the table?

1. Remembrance
2. Communion
3. Hope

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Implications? Partake more often:

1. As church
2. As small groups
3. As friends
4. As families