

JESUS OUR HEALER – 2
THE MEMORIAL MEAL
JANUARY 29, 2017

1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-26

INTRODUCTION: Around the world monuments and statues are displayed to remind us of the contributions individuals have made to our society. Included are presidents, civil rights leaders, sports figures and entertainers. Mary Tyler Moore, Minneapolis; Rocky, Philadelphia. When it comes to the greatest person who ever lived, who made the greatest contribution to the world, instead of erecting a memorial, people want His memory removed from our schools and government properties. He wasn't a president, didn't fight in a war, never led a civil rights movement, or never was a great sports figure. He just created our world, became a man to save our world, turned water into wine, multiplied food, healed the sick, raised the dead, destroyed the works of the devil, died for our sins, was raised from the dead and before His return to glory established His own memorial meal.

CAUSE AND EFFECT – 1 CORINTHIANS 11:27-30

1. Cause – Participating unworthily; effect-weakness, sickness, and premature death.
2. Cause – Participating worthily; effect-strength, health, longevity.

UNWORTHILY AND WORTHILY

1. Unworthily – Not discerning the Lord's body.
 - A. Collectively – **1 CORINTHIANS 11:17-22**
 - They are no Bob Baptists, Mary Methodists, Paul Pentecostals, Peter Presbyterians in heaven or Cathy Catholics.
 - Communion celebrates unity in the body. **1 CORINTHIANS 10:16-17**
 - B. Individually – **1 CORINTHIANS 12:27 (AMPC)**

ROMANS 12:1, 1 CORINTHIANS 9:27

- C. Literally – **ISAIAH 52:14-15 (NLT) 53:4-5,10 (YLT)**

- Jehovah crushed Him with our sin and sickness.

2 CORINTHIANS 5:21, MATTHEW 8:17

2. Worthily – Rightly discerning the Lord's body.
 - A. By examining ourselves – **1 CORINTHIANS 11:28**
 - Are we remembering His sacrificial death and highly regarding His work in redemption?
 - Are we esteeming others within the body and showing fervent love?
 - Are we presenting our bodies as living sacrifices?
 - Are we living as though He's coming again soon?

CONCLUSION: As we participate in the Lord's supper, let us receive together the benefits of partaking of it worthily. Let us receive strength, health and healing and power that promotes long life. **3 JOHN 2**