# ROCKY RIVER CHURCH THE MEANING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER STAND ALONE MESSAGE – OCTOBER 5, 2025 JIMMY BRITT, LEAD PASTOR

#### 1 Corinthians 11:23-30

<sup>23</sup> For I pass on to you what I received from the Lord himself. On the night when he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread <sup>24</sup> and gave thanks to God for it. Then he broke it in pieces and said, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." <sup>25</sup> In the same way, he took the cup of wine after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant between God and his people—an agreement confirmed with my blood. Do this in remembrance of me as often as you drink it." <sup>26</sup> For every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are announcing the Lord's death until he comes again.

<sup>27</sup> So anyone who eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord unworthily is guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. <sup>28</sup> That is why you should examine yourself before eating the bread and drinking the cup. <sup>29</sup> For if you eat the bread or drink the cup without honoring the body of Christ, you are eating and drinking God's judgment upon yourself. <sup>30</sup> That is why many of you are weak and sick and some have even died.

#### FOUR TRUTHS THAT REMIND US WHAT THE LORD'S SUPPER MEANS:

### #1. The Lord's Supper is a call \_\_\_\_\_\_.

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The **bread** reminds us that Jesus' body was <u>broken</u> for us. The **cup** reminds us that His blood was <u>poured out</u> to wash away our sins.

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"For every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are announcing the Lord's death until he comes again." -1 Corinthians 11:26

Every time we share the Lord's Supper, we're preaching a sermon. We're declaring to the world and to our own hearts:

- Jesus died for us.
- Jesus rose for us. And...
- Jesus is coming again for us.

## #4. The Lord's Supper is the call to \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Self-examination means asking honest questions:

- Am I trusting in Jesus <u>alone</u> for my salvation?
- Is there *unconfessed sin* I need to bring before God?
- Am I harboring bitterness or unforgiveness toward someone in the body of Christ – my life?

"Look! I stand at the door and knock. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in, and we will share a meal together as friends." -Revelation 3:20

