
“COME TO THE TABLE”
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Sermon Title: Come to the Table: The When and the How

Scripture text: 1 Corinthians 11:17-34

Outline:

1. The When
2. The How
3. The Horizontal

Questions:

1. How did you take communion growing up? Were the communion plates passed down the pews? Did you come forward to receive the elements from a pastor or elder? Did you gather around tables at the front in small groups? Did you take it some other way?
2. Jesus did not give us one specific way we are to take communion. Christians have celebrated communion in different ways over the centuries. What does this tell us about the heart of communion and what it is all about?
3. Was communion important in the early church? How do we know?
4. In terms of HOW we receive communion, Josh talked about the posture of receiving the elements and the posture of the heart. Explain each concept.
5. How is communion a picture of the gospel?
6. The horizontal dimension of communion refers to our relationships with each other in the body of Christ. Why is it necessary to put our differences aside when it comes to taking communion? How can communion help us grow in the unity and love that Jesus wants us to have for one another as his one body?