

November 1, 2015 1 Corinthians 11:23-32 (<u>Listen</u>) Dr. Richard Rogers

THE BIG IDEA

When we take the Lord's Supper, we remember and proclaim the covenant God has made between himself and us. It's a special mark of our faith that declares to the world we belong to Christ. And, it's a time for us to examine our own lives in light of what Jesus did for us and what he calls us know to do while we await his return.

START A CONVERSATION (Use this to begin a Conversation that Matters with your kids, coworkers, spouse, or someone in line at the grocery store. Then, <u>tell us about it</u>.)

What are some things Christians do that other people don't do?

SOME THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

- If you took the Lord's Supper with us this week, what was that time like for you?
- How did Jesus pay the price for your sin? And, why did he have to pay for it that way?
- Do those closest to you (family, friends, coworkers) know what you believe? How do they know?
- In what ways are you living out the specific calling of Jesus on your life? In other words, how are you living differently now that you are in covenant relationship with God?

GO DEEPER

- Watch as Dr. Ligon Duncan explains <u>some of the beautiful things that happen</u> when we take the Lord's Supper.
- Richard spoke at length about how Jesus is our covenant-securer and our covenantkeeper. He did what we could not do. We participate in the Lord's Supper in the same way we participate in our salvation, by having Jesus do all the work for us as <u>our servant king</u>.
- We mentioned that the Lord's Supper is a time for us to remember Jesus. But remembering is so much more than recalling. Read along as Dustin Crowe explains <u>the need to have our heart involved</u> in taking the Supper.
- What happens to us when we take the Supper? Follow along as David Mathis highlights a few ways the Lord's Supper helps us grow in grace.
- As we mentioned above, the Lord's Supper is a visible proclamation to the world that we trust only in the work of Jesus on our behalf. Burk Parsons highlights the importance of this proclamation with <u>a story from some Iranian Christians</u>.

LIVE IN LOVE THIS WEEK

As recipients of God's covenant promise, it is our privilege to gladly share with others what he has done for us and can do for them. Think of one person this week who currently lives outside of covenant relationship with God and needs to know him. Pray for them and ask God to give you and opportunity to have a Conversation That Matters.

