

*Week of November 20, 2022 | 1 Corinthians 11:27-34*

1. Thinking back on this week's sermon, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
2. What does it mean to be "guilty of the body and blood of the Lord" (vs 27)?
3. Following the instruction to "examine" yourself (vs 28), what exactly should we be examining ourselves for? Be as specific as possible.
4. Paul describes many among the Corinthians as being physically ill or even deceased because of improperly taking Communion (vs 29). When should we look to sin as the cause of sickness or death today?
5. What can you learn from Hebrews 12:4-11 about the nature and purpose of God's discipline?
6. Why might God visibly discipline some sinful acts, while other grievous sins seem to go unpunished?
7. Whose "body" is referred to in verse 29? Why is that important?
8. Identify specific ways the Corinthians were improperly taking Communion in the passage. Based on our practice of Communion at Valley Bible, where do you see the possibility of our falling into similar error?
9. How can Valley Bible elevate the gravity and splendor of Communion? How can you, personally?
10. As we reflect on what we are thankful for this holiday week, what lessons or applications from our study of 1 Corinthians come to mind as being most impactful?