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"I Am Prepared"

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Text: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

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Declaration of Faith: "The Lord's Table Is Holy."

-Our Father Has a table prepared for His Family.

-In order to come to this table, His children must be prepared.

-In 1 Corinthians 11, the Apostle Paul gives us proper structure for Communion in the Body of Christ.

I. The Perversion Of The Lord's Supper:

-1 Corinthians 11:20-22, "...when you come together in one place, it is not to eat the Lord's Supper. For in eating, each one takes his own supper ahead of others; and one is hungry and another is drunk. What! Do you not have houses to eat and drink in? Or do you despise the church of God and shame those who have nothing? What shall I say to you? Shall I praise you in this? I do not praise you."

II. The Purpose Of The Lord's Table:

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III. Preparation For The Lord's Table:

-1 Corinthians 11:31, "...if we would judge ourselves, we would not be judged."

-In order to properly come to the Lord's table...

- Properly discern your life in Christ,
- Weigh the motives of your heart,
- Confess any sin that the Holy Spirit reveals