

# Message Notes

"Abusing the Lord's Table - pt 1"

# Scripture Passages

(taken from the New International Version)

**Introduction** - "Whacked out Worship!"

**Doing more harm than good**

**1 Corinthians 11:17**

What are we trying to accomplish in a worship gathering?

1. Worship
2. Teaching
3. Fellowship
4. Outreach

1, 2 = Reverence  
3, 4 = Relevance

What harm would look like in each of these

1. Worship
2. Teaching
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**How your attitude can negate worship**

**1 Corinthians 11:18-19**

**The very nature of the gospel is profaned by pride**

**1 Corinthians 11:20-22a**

**Paul's displeasure with them**

**1 Corinthians 11:22b**

**Application** - "Do you come to worship?"

**1 Corinthians 11:17-22**

<sup>17</sup>In the following directives I have no praise for you, for your meetings do more harm than good. <sup>18</sup>In the first place, I hear that when you come together as a church, there are divisions among you, and to some extent I believe it. <sup>19</sup>No doubt there have to be differences among you to show which of you have God's approval. <sup>20</sup>When you come together, it is not the Lord's Supper you eat, <sup>21</sup>for as you eat, each of you goes ahead without waiting for anybody else. One remains hungry, another gets drunk. <sup>22</sup>Don't you have homes to eat and drink in? Or do you despise the church of God and humiliate those who have nothing? What shall I say to you? Shall I praise you for this? Certainly not!

**Psalms 149:1-4**

Praise the LORD. Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise in the assembly of the saints. Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; let the people of Zion be glad in their King. Let them praise his name with dancing and make music to him with tambourine and harp. For the LORD takes delight in his people; he crowns the humble with salvation.

**Isaiah 43:5-6**

I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' and to the south, 'Do not hold them back.' Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the ends of the earth—everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.

**2 Timothy 4:2-5**

<sup>2</sup>Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction.

**1 Corinthians 2:4-5**

<sup>4</sup>My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom, but on God's power.

**Hebrews 10:25**

<sup>25</sup>Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

**Matthew 28:18-20**

<sup>18</sup>Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in<sup>a</sup> the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

**Colossians 4:5-6**

<sup>5</sup>Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. <sup>6</sup>Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.