

“Thank you, God!”

1 Corinthians 11:17-34

January 7, 2018

Last week's message was geared for the individual. This week's lesson was for all of us as a church. If you didn't meet this last week, take some time and review the 5 applications given to the “One Thing” that we all want to see in this New Year. Pastor Mark's main desire was that each of us would “know Christ” from Phil 3:10 and 1 John 2:3-6. The 5 applications were:

1. Time with God – daily worship, time in His Word.
2. Time with God's Family – weekly commitment to the assembling of believers.
3. Time in Prayer – Praying in faith for God's work and will to be done.
4. Time to Give/Serve – You can serve without love, but you can't love without serving.
5. Time to Send/Go – The world needs us to show and tell them the Gospel

We began the year by giving God thanks, by taking the Lord's Supper together, as a sign of unity of mission and commitment to be His Church!

READ: 1 Cor. 11:23-26

- How does the Lord's Supper (aka Communion) tell the gospel? Why is this important for the church to exercise together?
- Why is unity so important for a church?

READ: 1 Cor. 11:17-22

- What were some of the issues the Corinthians were having?

- What are some of the things that cause disunity in churches today? Why do these show up?
- What is the one thing that brings unity to the church?

READ: Matt 22:36-40 and Matt 28:18-20

- Loving God so we can love each other.
- Loving each other so we can love the world.
- What is the church to be about? Matt. 28
- How are we to do the work God has given us to do? Matt. 22

READ: Luke 10:17-24

- How big of a deal was it that the 12 and the 70 just had a successful ministry experience? What was Jesus' response and encouragement? Vs 20
- How does thinking about our own salvation drive us to live on a mission of grace with Christ?

As you pray for each other, pray for our whole church that we would see God's blessing and fruit as we live out the purposes He's given us in unity!