9/24/17 | I Love My Church: Communion



"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!"
—Psalm 133:1, NIV

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- 1. If you were to choose a meal to be remembered by, what meal would you pick?
- 2. Have you ever fasted from eating? Why? What was it like?
- 3. Have you ever fasted from fellowship? Why? What was it like?
- 4. What does eating have to do with fellowship?
- 5. Consider this quote. What is Spurgeon getting at? Why are believers called sheep?

"Some Christians try to go to heaven alone, in solitude. But believers are not compared to bears or lions or other animals that wander alone. Those who belong to Christ are sheep in this respect, that they love to get together. Sheep go in flocks, and so do God's people."

—Charles Spurgeon

Fellowship

- 6. Read Acts 2:42-46 and Acts 20:7. What were the believers doing? Why? What was that like?
- 7. Read Hebrews 10:24-25. Why do some believers give up communion? Why do some believers give up fellowship? Why does God call us to keep doing both?

Symbolism

- 8. Read Genesis 40, paying attention to the symbols of bread, wine, and remembrance. How does this story foreshadow communion?
- 9. Read John 6:33-35, 47-68. Is Jesus referencing the Passover, manna, the crucifixion, the Resurrection, communion, or a mix? What did "bread of life" mean to Jews in that day?
- 10. Recall the sermon. What is the connection between communion and Passover? What significance does the Passover hold for believers today?
- 11. What are some of the similarities between the way God rescued the Israelites from slavery to Egypt and the way God saved us from slavery to sin? What role does communion play in that process?
- 12. Why do you take communion?

TAKEAWAY: Come to the Table