**Pastor Demetric Felton Sr October 4, 2020**

**Why We Take Communion?**

Hebrews 10:11-18

**Key Truth:** Jesus Christ sacrifice for our sins should be a source of joy and gratitude in our daily lives.

1. To celebrate the G.O.A.T Jesus Christ who is the only one

 worthy of our praise, worship, and obedience.

 A. The Mosaic Law is fulfilled to perfection in Jesus

 Christ.

2. To thank God because our sins are forgiven.

 A. God required a costly sacrifice so His people would

 feel the weight of their sin.

3. Grateful that the indwelling of the Holy Spirit has

 transformed our heart and mind to submit to the will

 and purpose of God.

 A. Only Jesus Christ can truly change the heart and

 conscience of the worshiper.

 1. God delights in changed hearts not just changed

 behavior.

4. We are free to walk with and worship the Lord

 unashamed.

 A. Unlike humanity, God chooses not to remember our

 failures and faults because we are completely

 forgiven.

**Taking It Beyond The Walls:** Celebrate communion this morning with joy and gratitude. Thank God for giving us eternal hope through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Ask Him to help our church grow in our love for Him and gratitude for His sacrificial work on our behalf.

**Connection Group Homework**

Looking back at your notes, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

Think about the various sacrifices people have made for you in recent years. Does one stand out to you that makes you feel especially grateful?

Where on your gratitude list does Christ’s provision of salvation sit? How often do you thank Him for what He did on the cross for you?

Read Hebrews 10:1-10. What did Christ do that the Old Covenant could never do (v. 4)?

If God did not delight in burnt offerings or sacrifices, then why did He require them? What is God really looking for in the sacrifices of the Old Covenant?

Read 1 Corinthians 11:17-22: What are some reasons the Lord’s Supper loses its significance in a church? How can we help each other guard against taking the Lord’s Supper too lightly?

As a result of Jesus’ sacrifice, we are forgiven when we trust Christ. How does God’s forgetting your sins when you repent help you deal with guilt? How does it help you deal with sins committed against you?

Would you say that you are a forgiving person? Do you tend to become historical when dealing with conflict with your spouse, friends or family? Why or Why not?