



Sunday January 14<sup>th</sup> 2018

## Freedom around the table?

1 Corinthians 11v17-34

- Life together
- No praise
- When you come together...
- 2 Shameful church problems (v18-22)
  1. You are fractured (v18-19)
  2. You hate being church (v20-22)

● **How does Jesus want to be remembered? (v23-26)**

⇒ **pass it on (v23)**

⇒ **remember (v24-25)**

⇒ **as people of the promise (v25)**

⇒ **proclaim it (v26)**

⇒ **until he comes (v26)**

● **Judge yourself (v27-32)**

•What is an ‘unworthy manner’?

•So that you won’t be judged (v29-31)

•God’s merciful judgement (v32)

•Examine yourself

•Welcome to the table (v33-34)

•Let’s share together

**Conversation starter:**

How do you want to be remembered? What do you want to be your ‘legacy’?

# Growth group questions

You will find it helpful to have heard the talk so why not listen at <http://leightonbaptists.org.uk/media-links/current-teaching/>

Some of these questions are personal and others are more general. Feel free to pick and choose which questions your group will find most helpful.



1. Imagine being the Corinthians first hearing these words? What do you imagine were the likely responses?
2. What are the attitudes underlying the problems in v18-22? Why are these so out of place in the church and around the communion table?
3. Are we in danger of these same, or similar problems? How seriously do we take this?
4. Do you neglect either dimension of 'the body of the Lord' in your attitude towards the Lord's table? If so, which and why?
5. In your own words, what does it mean to judge or examine yourself?
6. Why is God's judgement merciful? Does it seem so to you?
7. Why not share the Lord's table together simply in your growth group. It doesn't need fancy words or prayers. Simply remember and proclaim

Pray that we would be a church that treats coming together seriously and that the gospel would be proclaimed.