

Hi, I'm Crawford Loritts with a Legacy Moment.

My wife, Karen tells how when she was about 9 or 10 years old, her mother sent her to a church around the corner. The first time she visited the church, Karen noticed that at the end of the service they served snacks to every one, a piece of cracker and a small cup of juice. She didn't realize it then, but she was witnessing one of the most sacred observances of Christianity, Holy Communion.

Calvary, the bloody death of our Savior on the cross, is the centerpiece of biblical Christianity, and communion is the main reminder of that centerpiece.

The Scriptures remind us that we should not be casual about this holy event in the life of the church. Listen to 1 Corinthians chapter 11, verses 27 through 30; “Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For he who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment unto himself if he does not judge the body rightly. For this reason many among you are weak, sick, and a number sleep.”

These are sobering words indeed! In other words, when you violate Holy Communion, you go to the table, so to speak, with dirty hands and a dirty heart. Paul warns, “There's the judgment of God.” You see, we're celebrating God's final solution to sin through the death of His own Son.

Here's what I want you to remember today. More than just crackers and juice, communion ensures we'll never forget Calvary. It's always important to remember why we do what we do. Our Lord's blood was shed for us, and when we eat this bread and we drink this cup, we remember Him.