

Intro. Lots of prayers, gifts, hopes for work to a climax today. Is a very special occasion. Think of other such ones and particularly lists in preacher's life. 1st wedding—"on your own." 1st commencement--forgot board. 1st funeral, bedside, death. Yr ago 1st library, 2 Tim 4:3. 1st dining room and obvious text 1 Cor 10:31.

Title: Making the ordinary extraordinary. After all, eating, drinking very ordinary. If dedicating a chapel there would be a spiritual glamour dining room doesn't have. Never think of God speaking in a beef stew as in a chapel service. Nobody called to missions as a drinking fountain tho once heard of one on a st. car. If ded a chapel diff feeling but needn't be so for this is just as imp't. Listen to text. Note 3 things.

## I. The Prominence of the Ordinary

God not just interested in ans. prayer, great commission, but in eating and drinking and the mention here proves it.

- A. Proof (1) 3 chapt's in 1 Cor about it. Only 1 on res and only 3 vss on collection. 1 on Lord's Supper.
- (2) In 1 Cor we are reminded that God used ordinary bread and wine to symbolize X's death.
  - (3) Even heathen give prominence to this, 15:32.
  - (4) Lord revealed God's concern for our welfare in this, Matt. 6:25-34.
  - (5) Feeding of 5000, Mt. 14:15.
- B. Purpose. Why does God give such prominence to ordinary?
- (1) Bec. everyone affected by ordinary. No one can escape love of God in this.
  - (2) Bec. everyone can then be responsible. Not only preachers but all who partake of ordinary in any way responsible.

## II. The Problems of the Ordinary

Just bec everyone is affected they are apt to be problems, but who would imagine prob with eating (except getting enuf?)

- A. Problem of the people. What can we eat?  
 Prob, 8:1. Answer, 4-6. Complication, 7-12. Solution, 13
- B. Problem of the preacher. Who will feed him?  
 Prob 9:4. Ans, 7-14. Complication, 15-18. Solution, 19-27
- Two prob. have 1 thing in common.—solution. Restrict selves for sake of testimony. Not eating today but activities. If stumble, restrict bec love brethren and God

III. The Purpose of the Ordinary.

Note this applies to all things we do.  
Glorify God.

- A. The Meaning. Manifestation. Show off.
- B. The Test. Is X seen. Glory hound. BB game.
- C. The Application.

At meals, amount, conversation, hospitality.  
In everything. Show off X.

Concl. Ded this to glory of God not merely as  
a means of more effective camp work, but as an  
actual place where God can be glorified.

Every time we eat let's remember that whatsoever  
we do we should do it to the glory of God.

*God did  
this with  
elements of  
grace*  
B. Example - God sending X - self-  
sacrificing love. Bread & cup  
symbols of it.

See self-sac. of X<sup>45</sup> lue 7.10.33