

1 Corinthians 11:27-34 (NASB)

²⁷ Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord.

He warns them against taking of the Supper in ***an unworthy manner***.

Taking the supper without judging their ways.

Taking the supper without discerning that of which the bread and the cup speak — the Lord's body and blood.

They did not discern between an ordinary meal and that which was a memorial of the Lord's body given for us

²⁸ But a man must examine himself, and in so doing he is to eat of the bread and drink of the cup.

To correct their unworthy ways, one should examine or prove oneself,

dokimazō.. To test for approval

Then come and take part.

²⁹ For he who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself if he does not judge the body rightly.

We judge ourselves (Gr.**diakrino**) before we take part and then participate in a worthy manner, or God will judge (**krino**) us.

³⁰ For this reason many among you are weak and sick, and a number sleep.

As the direct outcome of this chastening, many were **weak and sickly, and many slept**.

³¹ But if we judged ourselves rightly, we would not be judged.

³² But when we are judged, we are disciplined by the Lord so that we will not be condemned along with the world.

It is not only our **ways** that we need to judge, (to make a distinction) but also **ourselves** — the secret motives, thoughts, affections that form the condition of soul.

³³ So then, my brethren, when you come together to eat, wait for one another.

Wait for each other when coming together to eat

³⁴ If anyone is hungry, let him eat at home, so that you will not come together for judgment. The remaining matters I will arrange when I come.

Paul clearly did not say all he might.