

SCHEDULE

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THE LORD'S SUPPER AND DREAMS

9. THE LORD'S SUPPER

OPENING HYMN: (#339, Charles Wesley)

Come, sinners, to the gospel feast; let every soul be Jesus' guest.
Ye need not one be left behind, for God hath bid all human kind.

Sent by my Lord, on you I call; the invitation is to all.
Come, all the world! Come, sinner, thou! All things in Christ are ready now.

Come, all ye souls by sin oppressed, ye restless wanderers after rest;
ye poor, and maimed, and halt, and blind, in Christ a hearty welcome find..

My message as from God receive; ye all may come to Christ and live.
O let his love your hearts constrain, nor suffer him to die in vain.

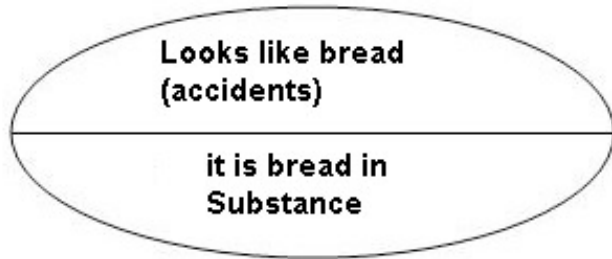
This is the time, no more delay! This is the Lord's accepted day.
Come thou, this moment, at his call, and live for him who died for all.

OPENING PRAYER: Gracious God, your Anointed One, on the night before he suffered, instituted the sacrament of his body and blood. Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life. Amen.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

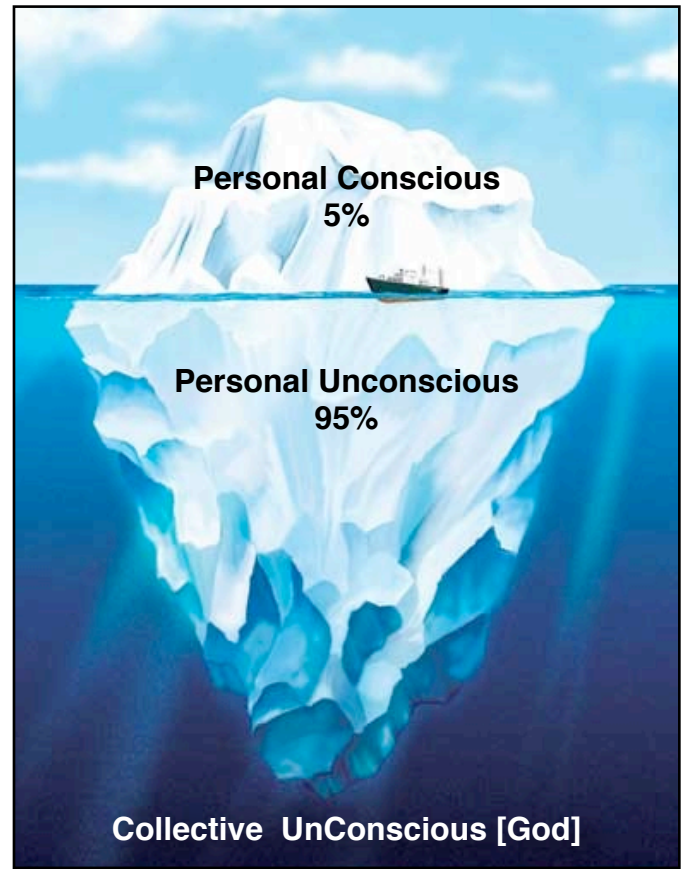
1. What does the Lord's Supper mean to you?
2. What makes the most sense to you? Transubstantiation, Consubstantiation, Symbolism, or the whole world is a Sacrament.
3. John Wesley called Holy Communion a converting ordinance. Should there be some conditions or should Holy Communion be open to everyone? Below is the Methodist invitation:

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort, and make your humble confession to almighty God.



Transubstantiation
Consubstantiation
Symbolic

The World is a Sacrament



10. DREAMS

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Do you distinguish between dreams and visions? What is their purpose?
2. What is your favorite dream in the Bible?
3. Do you have or have you ever had a reoccurring dream?

CLOSING HYMN: (Number 593)

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them?. (Chorus)

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. (Chorus)

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame, I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. (Chorus)

**(Chorus) Whom shall I send? Here I am, Lord, Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me, I will hold your people in my heart.**

CLOSING PRAYER: Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that Thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light. Amen.
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