



**-- The essence of our salvation is **Union** with Christ.**

- Union with Christ means that we are in Him and He is in us (John 15:5).
- The two ordinances of the church depict our union with Christ.
  - Baptism depicts that we are in Christ.
  - The Lord's Supper depicts that Christ is in us.

**-- The cup of the Lord's Supper is called "*the cup of Thanksgiving*" (1 Corinthians 10:16).**

- To come to the Lord's Table rightly is to come with great gratitude.
- Paul calls the cup of Christ "*the cup of thanksgiving*" because this supper is "*a participation in the blood and the body of Christ.*"
- A chief reason why we give thanks through this supper is because it depicts our union with Christ.

**-- *In our text today, several glorious truths are revealed about the glory of Christ in us.***

- v. 5 – Our attitude should be the same as that of Christ, because God has made us one with Him.
- v. 6-7 – Christ **Identified** with us so that we could be identified with Him (Hebrews 2:10-11, 14-17).
- v. 8
  - Christ's obedience was and is and will forever be our obedience and righteousness (1 Corinthians 1:30).
  - Christ's death was and is and will forever be our death to sin (Romans 6:4-5).
- v. 9-11
  - Christ's **Sacrifice** is the source of eternal exaltation and exultation.
  - Because of our union with Christ, we share in His eternal glory (Colossians 1:27-28, 3:4).

-- Give thanks in all circumstances, because in all circumstances we are forever *United* with Christ (1 Thes. 5:18).