"What's God Really Doing When We Take the Lord's Supper?"

What is a Sacrament?
- Instituted by God
- Connected to His Word and Promise
- Specific externals are present
- Forgiveness and faith are created and conveyed

There are Two Sacraments: Baptism and the Lord's Supper.
Baptism precedes Holy Communion

Whereas Baptism is a Sacrament that _____ faith, the Lord's

Supper is a Sacrament by which our faith is _____.

Instituted By God   Luke 22:19; 1 Cor 11:25
The Words of Institution are those established by Jesus.

And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you. Luke 22:19-20

We take Jesus' words in their simple meaning, just as they read, and trust that Christ, who has made the promise, is able also to fulfill it.

The Lord's Supper is God's work by which he offers the grace and merits of Christ to all believers who, while saved, live in the reality of lives still plagued by sin. Through Him our sins are forgiven and our faith is strengthened.

What is present in the Bread and Wine?
- When we receive the Lord's Supper we receive Christ's true body and blood, in, with, and under the bread and wine.
- While the bread and wine are received in the natural manner of eating and drinking, the body and blood of our Lord are received in a supernatural, incomprehensible manner.

Who should Receive the Lord's Supper?

- Those who have been _____.

- Those who know they are _____ and need _____.

- Those who _____ that the Body and Blood of Jesus is

  _____ in the Bread and Wine

- Those who desire a _____ _____.

Say It Simply

- _____ forgiven

- _____ strengthened

- _____ remembered

- _____ celebrated

- _____ empowered