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The Lord's Supper, because of its connection with the supper which the Lord took with his disciples on the eve of his Passion and because it anticipates the wedding feast of the Lamb in the heavenly Jerusalem.

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Differences:

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Eutychus would eventually die again in natural death, but, he, like us, will be raised up on the Last Day to, judgment: Eternal life with God in heaven or eternal damnation.

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1038 The resurrection of all the dead, "of both the just and the unjust, "will precede the Last Judgment. This will be "the hour when all who are in the tombs will hear [the Son of man's] voice and come forth, those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of judgment." Then Christ will come "in his glory, and all the angels with him. ... Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will place the sheep at his right hand, but the goats at the left. ... And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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St. Paul committed his life to the spread of the Gospel to the nations. In the end, it cost him his life. But, to those who accepted his Gospel message it meant eternal life. St. Paul’s life of hardship, danger, and, ultimately, execution brought life to others. He considered that a worthwhile trade, the greatest love.