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Give Dr. Kelman's war story of his friend walking along a trench one day and seeing a boy in khaki spoke to the lad but received no reply. On examination he found the thin red line of blood which told the story. Like a flash the words of Jesus came to him, "This is my body which is broken for you." In a way he saw Calvary in France. He had a flash light story of the Cross that impressed him like the time exposure picture which he was familiar with.

There was a custom among the people of Corinth to join themselves together in a club and have a meal together. This was known as a love feast. Clubs are all right when they have this feature to them. A great benefit comes to the membership when they come together and join in good fellowship.

A sad thing occurred here in Corinth. They got to the point where they grabbed before the other fellow got his and selfishness sprang up and they were gluttonous why? Because Christ was left out of it. It is a bad sign when people go to the table and grab. Paul taught that Jesus gave thanks and brake the bread and gave to each one around the table. This a good lesson in table manners. He did want them to give up their common meal together but to have Jesus in it.

The bread was broken that all around the table might have to eat of it. So with wine when He said "Drink ye all of this." He did not mean drink all of the wine but all to drink of the wine. So His body which was killed was killed for all. Every child born in the world is under the Atonement of Jesus and if lost it such will be the case because of sin committed after birth.

I. "My body." Incarnation. Jesus came to this life from another. He was enjoying a rich life with God in heaven and though rich He became poor for our sakes that we through His

poverty might become rich. He became flesh and dwelt among us and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten of the Father full of grace and truth.

Every idea to amount to any thing must have a body. Incarnation means putting flesh on something or giving that something a place to live in. Jesus was given a body of flesh to live in.

Personal incarnation is the highest form. Every building is the incarnation of the architect's plan. Every invention is the incarnation of some man's imagination, but the highest form is that of a person. The Mikado in Japan is Japan in the flesh. Jesus is God in the flesh. Jesus is the place God has broken thru in to the life of the world.

II. Broken body--Crucifixion. Many do not care for a broken Christ. A broken body or broken health for country or for religion is not attractive to them. They do not wish to give a boy to the ministry and present a broken family to Christ and say, "This is my family broken for you." We dislike to break our bank account or social customs and say, "Here is my bank account or here is my social custom broken for you." But Jesus said, "This is my body which was broken for you."

*Stultum willis
Selfish pride
Egalitarian*

III. "For you." This is what concerns us. It is for us. Savenarola died for his convictions. Caesar died ~~from~~ from a thrust. Scott the explorer because of His bold adventure but Jesus died for me. { *Alonement* } { *Incarnation* } { *2 man doctrines of* } { *King of* }

Dr. Chamberlain tells of a man at Benares India who had travelled many miles on knees and arms to bathe in the Ganges. Had a longing to be healed. He did so but came out none the better. He heard a missionary under a tree telling the story of the Cross and at once arose and clapped his hands saying, "That is what I want."



" Rock of ages cleft for me
let me hide myself in Thee."