

THE Big 3

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TITLE: Why the Church Should Throw Better Parties

The ways in which we celebrate, and who we include at our parties are really an overflow of our hearts. Whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. This takes grace and intentionality.

Here are three things to believe and consider about celebration and your participation in it:

1. **Celebration is a rhythm and connection God gave us to remind us of what is true of him and how we now get to live all of life.** “Party unto the Lord” is our reminder that whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. Do you go to and throw parties with increasing gospel-intentionality?
2. **If you don’t believe that Christians should be the most celebratory people in the world...and show it... why?** If you’ve been raised with strong convictions regarding the drinking of alcohol, have you given that area of your life and others over to the Lord? If we think the line is set at “abstaining,” or retracting from culture, we will miss expressing and embodying redemption. And I’m afraid the message we will send is that good things in all areas of life can be perverted beyond redemption. Where is the hope?
3. **In what ways and rhythms are your regular celebrations as a family, and together as the Church, both experiencing redemption and offering it to others?** The Church is a family—God’s family—and healthy families eat and celebrate together often! Your meals and parties can serve as both a demonstration of what God and his family are like and a reminder that we can live open, generous lives with everyone. Let’s party!

In light of today’s topics, you might find these posts and videos helpful:

- [Why You're Blessed to Be a Blessing](#)

Thanks for listening... we’ll see you in the next episode!

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