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9. Looking forward: in our next discussion we will try to analyze some of the problems that develop in our meetings.. some of which are private problems within our own lives and others of which are public and in the meeting function. We will have in mind the general character of those things that tend to make us less open in participation...more restrictive in what we do...and that lead, eventually, to the planned services which, while nice in themselves, practically make the worshipper an observer or a "fan."

5.15 10. Some questions:

- a; While we may not judge one's spirituality on the amount of public role he takes in these meetings, we may say that the non-participant is in danger of developing a selfish attitude? Do you see why this is so?
- b. Since we have said much of the "leading of the Spirit" in this discussion, can you see what is different between this sort of worship meetings and many of the modern "charismatic" meetings? What part of the Spirit's ministry do most of the modern charismatics seem to overlook?
- c. Why do we generally frown on ministry, etc., between the breaking of the bread and the passign of the cup? To what extent should a meeting exercise authority in a matter such as this?
- d. Suppose, during one of those long silent periods in many of our meetings, some sister not really familiar with all these things, were to rise and pray. Believe it or not, you could hhardly judge her but in some ways she has established a judgment on the meeting. (Hope that isn't too obscure.) Can you understand this and do you therefore know what the solution to most problems in order and other matters is?