

SESSION 10

HEBREWS 5.11 – 6.8

Context: There never was a time when the Father could not say to the Second Person within the resonating reality of the Trinity, "Thou art My Son." But there came a day in history when, by resurrection in glorified humanity, God the Son was begotten to a new status as the exalted God/Man, equipped to accomplish the salvation of men in the laying down of his life for sin.

Adapted from A.B. Stibbs

Learning Targets For Enduring Understanding From This Session:

1. To understand that maturity in Christ is founded upon the personal revelation of truth as the Holy Spirit upon the Word of God equips you to discern good from evil lest you be led astray.
2. The true implantation of the Holy Spirit within a soul is a sovereign fact-it is once for all, and the progressive soul-surrender thereafter yields the fruits of righteousness that authenticate the indwelling Truth. True salvation is an unstoppable journey to Mt Zion whereupon Christ in you the hope of glory is fully realized.

C 5 V 11 What is the Author of Hebrews saying to his readers?

V 12-14 What contrasts does the Author draw to illuminate further his concern over the spiritual conditions of his readers?

There is no substitute for the discernment generated by Holy-Spirit revelation born upon the wings of the Word Of God.

C6 V1-2 How does the Author of Hebrews describe the foundation of the Christian faith?

Layer 1 Repentance from dead works

Layer 2 Having faith toward God

1. Ablutions
2. Laying on of hands
3. Resurrection of the dead

4. Eternal judgment

"Let us go on" = "let us be borne along" "The thought is not of personal effort, but of personal surrender to an active influence. The Power is working; we have only to yield ourselves to it."

B.F. Wescott

Phil 2.13

Eph 3.20

V 3 What is the solemn caveat given and what must we understand?

God's responsibility: Birth you in Christ, nurture you In Christ, shepherd you in Christ, complete you in Christ.

Our responsibility: Surrender to Christ, surrender to Christ, surrender to Christ, surrender to Christ.

V 4-6 What does the Author enumerate as New Testament experiences that would reflect "going on in maturity"?

1. Enlightenment / Illumination

"You know that you know that is Jesus Christ is your Lord and Savior and that He is calling you to be His disciple."

J.I.Packer

2. Transformation via the beholding of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Cor 3.18

3. Instruction in the Word of God yielding the fruits of the Spirit in your character.

What is apostasy?

V7-8 What lessons are apparent from this agronomic allegory?

Ps 65.4

Jn 15.16

Rm 8.24