

Radiant!

Who You Are...

Because of Who He Is.

~ Lesson Ten ~

Hebrews Chapter Ten



Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly

...SMALL GROUP FELLOWSHIP...

📖 **God's Word is our standard.** We'll use the Bible - not personal opinion, popular teachers, or church tradition - as our guide for everything. We are using the English Standard Version (ESV) Bible for this study.

♥ **We come from varying faith backgrounds**, so please be thoughtful of denominational and religious differences.

🚫 **Avoid commentaries or study notes in your Bible.** Trust God, pray, ask for wisdom then read and answer on your own.

👉 **We're all learning.** Be gracious and patient with yourself and with others. No one has it all figured out.

✓ **This isn't a personal opinion study. This is a Bible study.** So, there are going to be "right" and "wrong" answers. Try your best and have a humble and teachable spirit.

🗣️ **You don't have to share**, but if you did the reading and the study this week, why not chime in? We all benefit from one another's thoughts and questions. I bet you have something great to share! 😊

👂 **Didn't finish the study this week?** That's ok. Life gets busy. You're here! Yay you! This will be a good week for you to listen and perhaps jot down answers as others share.

⌚ **Be considerate of your "slice of the pie"** and how much time you are taking to talk. Share your thoughts, and allow time for others to do the same.

🕒 **Watch the time.** Please return to our teaching session on time. 7:40pm (evening) or 10:40am (morning) group.

...AS WE GATHER...

1. Share something you learned and found interesting about the tabernacle.
2. What kinds of sins did the offering on the Day of atonement cover? (pg 17/#4)
3. What is the result of Jesus' "once for all" act? (pg 19/#5)
4. What is the purpose of the "copy and shadow" things of the Old Covenant? (page 23)
5. What picture of Christ do you think the author is trying to give them...and us? (pg 24/#7)
6. How would you respond biblically to a friend who believed in reincarnation? (pg 25/#12)
7. How does the truth of Hebrews 9:27-28 impact your life today?
8. Share your "Create & Share"
9. Recite as a group our memory verse from chapter seven.



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...LIVE 7:00AM...

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MONDAY, MARCH 12 OR TUESDAY, MARCH 13

Hebrews – Radiant Bible Study Notes

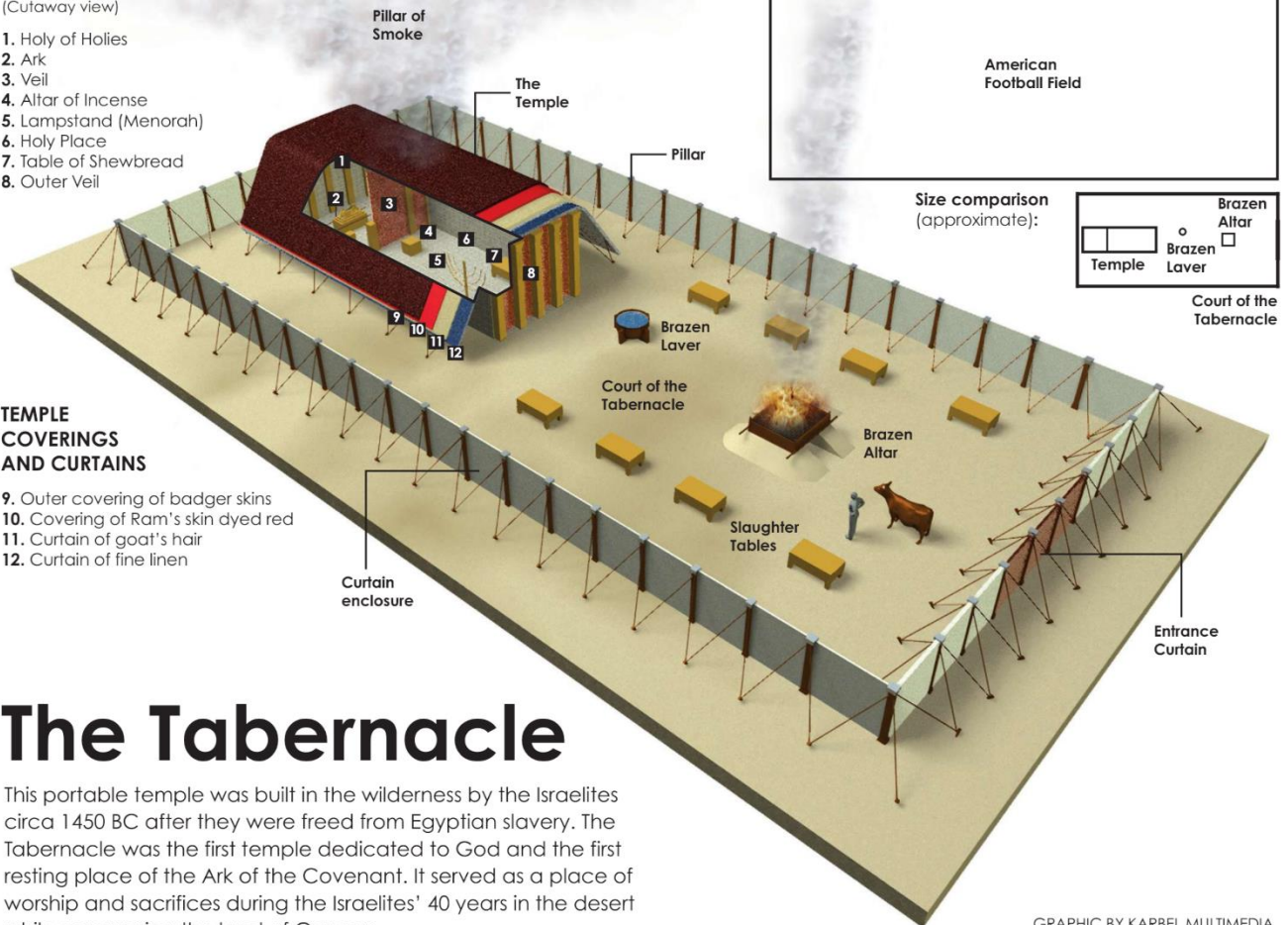
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Hebrews - Radiant Bible Study Notes

INSIDE THE TEMPLE

(Cutaway view)

1. Holy of Holies
2. Ark
3. Veil
4. Altar of Incense
5. Lampstand (Menorah)
6. Holy Place
7. Table of Shewbread
8. Outer Veil



















TEMPLE COVERINGS AND CURTAINS

9. Outer covering of badger skins
10. Covering of Ram's skin dyed red
11. Curtain of goat's hair
12. Curtain of fine linen

The Tabernacle

This portable temple was built in the wilderness by the Israelites circa 1450 BC after they were freed from Egyptian slavery. The Tabernacle was the first temple dedicated to God and the first resting place of the Ark of the Covenant. It served as a place of worship and sacrifices during the Israelites' 40 years in the desert while conquering the land of Canaan.

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Jesus' priesthood	The Levitical priesthood
Only one priest (Heb 7:23-24) 	Many priests 
An eternal priest (Heb 7:23-24; 9:12) 	Temporary priests 
He sacrificed once for all (Heb 7:27; 9:12) 	They sacrificed daily 
He is holy (Heb 7:26-27) 	They were sinners 
He offered sacrifices only for others (Heb 7:26-27) 	They offered sacrifices also for themselves 
He offered up himself (Heb 7:27; 9:11-14) 	They offered sacrificial animals 
He entered a greater and more perfect tent (Heb 9:11-12) 	They entered a man-made tent 
He entered by means of his own blood (Heb 9:11-12) 	They entered by means of blood of goats and calves 

~ Lesson Ten Overview ~

Memorize Hebrews 10:23-25

Day 1 – Read & Write Chapter 10

Day 2 – 10:1-4

Day 3 – 10:5-10

Day 4 – 10:11-14

Day 5 – 10:15-18

Day 6 – 10:19-25

Day 7 – 10:23-25

Day 8 – 10:26-31 (part 1)

Day 9 – 10:26-31 (part 2)

Day 10 – 10:32-39

Day 11 – Create & Share

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Live → [Facebook.com/lmccwomen](https://www.facebook.com/lmccwomen) at 7am

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the Dwelling Richly podcast





...Lesson Ten - Day One...

...WRITE AND MEMORIZE...

HEBREWS 10:23-25



...READ AND WRITE HEBREWS CHAPTER NINE...

As you read in the introduction, we are reading and writing the entire book of Hebrews over the course of this study. At the end of this lesson packet, I have provided several blank pages for you to “WRITE THE WORD.” Use these or any pages – perhaps a special journal? – to write each chapter of Hebrews. At the end of this study, you’ll have written the entire book! What a treasure!

While you study Hebrews, write any notes, thoughts, questions, even drawings, that will help you engage and understand the Scripture. Before you read and write, pray that God would open the eyes of your heart to see clearly the wonders in His word (Psalm 119:18) and that He would give you wisdom (James 1:5) to grasp and apply what you are reading.

TODAY:

- 1) **READ HEBREWS CHAPTER 10** - If you haven’t read chapters 1-9 yet, be sure to read them as well – Make connections while you read. Do you find any themes connecting back to previous chapters? Any concepts you need more clarity about? Make a note of keywords and phrases. Don’t be shy to take notes in your Bible. This is a great way to retain and understand better.
- 2) **WRITE HEBREWS CHAPTER 10** – If you haven’t written chapters 1-9 yet, set aside time this week. Use a journal or the “Write the Word” pages provided for you at the end of this lesson.
- 3) **WRITE & MEMORIZE** Hebrews 10:23-25 – It’s a little longer than verses we’ve memorized before, but man, is it all so good! I’ve provided space at the opening of each lesson for this.

Why not take a picture of your writing today and share it! Text it to a friend, send it to me (562.755.4964), post it on Facebook or Instagram and tag @LMCCWomen don’t forget to use the hashtags:

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Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Hebrews 10:23-25

...Lesson Ten - Day One...

DESIGN A MEMORY VERSE BOOKMARK TO KEEP OR SHARE
FOR THIS LESSON'S VERSES AND OUR CREATE & SHARE PROJECT.

Turn to page 39 to find the Create & Share project. You'll find patterns for you to use to help you memorize your Bible verses for this session. Also, this can be used for your Create & Share project! You'll find 4 blank bookmark patterns. Take time during your studies over the next couple of weeks to handwrite and design a bookmark with verses you want to remember and share.

Take a photo of your creations, then share and tag on Instagram or Facebook –

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...Lesson Ten - Day Two...

...WRITE & MEMORIZE THE WORD...

HEBREWS 10:23-25

...PRAY THEN READ THE WORD...

Pray for wisdom and understanding then read our passage for today: [Hebrews 10:1-4](#)

...DWELL IN THE WORD...

As you begin today's lesson, please be mindful again of the original audience – Jews who have been “under the law” and were now being exhorted to stand firm in their faith in Jesus Christ.

1. Underline “the law” in 10:1 and connect it to “can never” then finish the core of that statement here:

The law can never

There's that word again! → “perfect.” We've studied this before. It comes from the Greek word τελειῶσαι (teleiōsai) meaning: to consummate, reaching the end-stage, i.e. working through the entire process (stages) to reach the final phase. We get the word “telescope” from this idea. Think of an old pirate's telescope getting fully extended so that he can use it properly. Take a moment to go back through Hebrews and mark every occurrence of the word “perfect.” Use a concordance or [BibleHub.com](#) to help. Write the root for “perfect” in Greek in the margins of your Bible: τέλος



2. Considering the weight of importance that the sacrificial system had on the Jewish audience, their hopes, their understanding of meeting – or not meeting – God's expectations, what do you think the impact of a statement like this had on the audience of Hebrews?

3. How is the “law” but a “shadow of good things to come”? Read [Hebrews 8:5 and Colossians 2:15-17](#)

What then are the “good things” to come? (This is a review from Lesson 9/Day 5 Hebrews 9:11) Check the list you made from that day and write them again here:

... WHY 70AD IS SO IMPORTANT ...

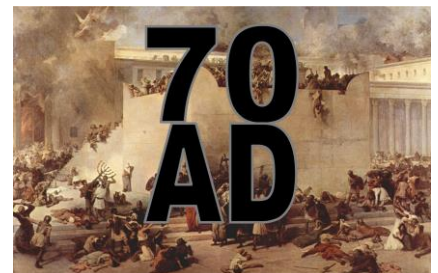
What Happened in 70 AD?

Less than 40 years after the ascension of Jesus and the Great Commission, Roman armies led by future emperor, Titus, sacrificed a pig in the Temple, demolished the city, and massacred more than a million Jews. The remnant of Jews were driven from Israel. The destruction of the Temple is still an annual day of mourning and fasting for observant Jews called “Tisha B'Av”.

Why is 70 AD an important date?

- 1) When the Temple was destroyed it ended Old Testament Judaism. Sacrifices could no longer be offered because there was no Temple.
- 2) The influence of Judaism and Jewish rituals on Christianity lost its impact and gave a significant reminder to followers of Christ that the Old Covenant had been upgraded by Christ – our once and for all sacrifice. No Temple was needed. The True Tent had been established.
- 3) The majority* of New Testament had to have been written before the destruction of the Temple. This gives us a great defense for its reliability. An event of such impact would have been mentioned in the epistles.

**Epistles of John and Revelation are generally dated post 70ad.*



4. What sacrifices is the author referring to when he says in 10:1, "continually offered every year"?

What was/is that annual sacrifice incapable of doing?

By contrast, what has Christ's sacrifice made possible?

5. One of the ways we can date the writing of Hebrews is by looking at the statements throughout which give us some clues. By saying, "would they not have ceased to be offered..." what does that mean is still going on?

Which means, at the time Hebrews was written, what was still standing?

6. What has the author already taught regarding the Law and the Levitical priesthood and its ability to bring perfection? Review [Hebrews 7:11, 18-19](#)

7. In contrast, consider this, when John the Baptist saw Jesus, he knew exactly what was coming! Read [John 1:29](#) What does John say about Jesus?

8. A good Bible student should compare translations. This is a great verse to remind us of that. Read [Hebrews 10:2](#) in several translations and summarize the meaning here:

The word translated "consciousness" (ESV) is from the Greek word συνείδησις (syneidēsis) meaning: "conscience which joins moral and spiritual consciousness as part of being created in the divine image." It is better emphasized as "feeling the guilt" of sins. As Christians we should feel the guilt of sin and yet we do not need to be burdened by guilt. We should feel conviction of our sin and repent, however, we should know that because of Christ's sacrifice, we are justified - we get the righteousness of Christ placed on us. Our sin no longer separates us from God. That's really good news!

9. What do these sacrifices give to the people every year according to 10:3?

A _____ of sins every year.

10. Read [Hebrews 10:4; 9:13-14](#) What is the reason that they are reminded of sins instead of sins being taken away?

DID YOU SEE THIS? →

While our sins have been removed because of the sacrifice of Jesus, the sins of the people under the Old Covenant were not removed. Every sacrifice was instead a constant reminder - not a removal - of their sin. How much more thankful should we be today to be under the New Covenant! Make a note of this in your Bible.

...REFLECT ON THE WORD...

Think of how different things are for us who are in Christ! Because of Jesus we live in freedom! There is no condemnation to those who are in Christ. It's freeing and joyful to know that our sins are forgiven. Robert Govett said, "He who is obliged to take a medicine to stay alive cannot be said to be cured." Isn't that exactly how it was under the Old Covenant? No removal of sin...instead they needed to keep taking the same medicine because they had only a reminder that they weren't cured. Jesus came and cured the sin problem. He has made it so that we are finally, fully, and fabulously free – "Finished." That was the word Christ said and that is exactly what has happened – no need for ongoing reminders of our sin – It. Is. Finished. Thanks be to God!

...Lesson Ten - Day Three...

...WRITE & MEMORIZE THE WORD...

HEBREWS 10:23-25

...PRAY THEN READ THE WORD...

Pray for wisdom and understanding then read our passage for today: [Hebrews 10:5-10](#)

...DWELL IN THE WORD...

1. The author quotes from Psalm 40. Read and compare [Hebrews 10:5-7](#) and [Psalm 40:6-8](#). Note any differences in wording:

Psalm 40:6-8	Hebrews 10:5-7

2. According to Psalm 40 and Hebrews 10, what has God not taken pleasure, desired, or delighted in?
3. Then, what does God take pleasure in? Read [1 Samuel 15:1-23](#). What did Saul do?

How did the prophet Samuel respond?

What was the result of Saul's action?

What kind of sacrifice does God want?

[Psalm 50:22-23](#)

[Hosea 6:6](#)

[Matthew 9:13](#)

4. After committing adultery and murder, David cries out to God in stark contrast from the way Saul responded when he sinned. Read [Psalm 51](#), especially note verses 16-17. How is David's response in keeping with the heart of God?

It's Greek to Me

Q: Why is the quote from Psalm 40 so different than the verses in Hebrews?

A: One common view is that the author of Hebrews is quoting from the Septuagint which was the Greek translation of the Hebrew scriptures (Tanakh). Psalm 40 in our Bible is from a text called the Masoretic text. Psalm 40 (from the Masoretic) says "open ear," but Hebrews 10 (from the Septuagint) has "body." The author of Hebrews quotes from the Septuagint throughout. In fact, this is an interesting play on words. When the writer of Psalm 40 says "ears you have opened" it literally means "dug out." This is an ancient reference to carving a figure and getting to the ears and having to take carving tool and literally digging out the ears. It also points to the idea of obedience. When your ears are opened you are ready to "shema" – hear and obey. That is exactly the intent of this passage – to show that Christ was willing to be obedient: "Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered" (Heb 5:8)

Listen to the online study for another view on the variance between Hebrews 10 and Psalm 40.

5. Thinking back through Hebrews, how does Jesus satisfy God's will? Keep in mind the answers you wrote above and consider how Jesus completed every one.

6. Who is talking to whom in this passage? (Hebrews 10:5-7 quoting from Psalm 40)

Recall from earlier in Hebrews another conversation between God and Jesus. Read [Psalm 110:1](#). What did God (LORD) say to Jesus ("my Lord")?

I hope you're seeing these passages as they are: a reminder of the truth of Jesus as God and as the 2nd person of the Trinity.

7. Summarize the meaning of Hebrews 10:9b. We've covered this in detail in the past two chapters.

8. Let's break down Hebrews 10:10 --

By what have we been sanctified? (Hebrews 10:10) _____

The Greek word translated "will" θελήματι (thelēmati) is nearly always used of God and points to His preferred-will. In other words, God didn't prefer sacrifices, he preferred what? (Consider your responses to question #3.)

What has been accomplished for us?

How have we been sanctified?

Hebrews 10:10 is the only time in the message of Hebrews that the author refers to "Jesus Christ." Every other time he has referred to simply "Jesus." Jesus means "savior;" Christ means "anointed one." Why do you think the author makes this particular emphasis here?

How does Jesus' sacrifice differ from the ongoing sacrifices of the Old Covenant? (*Hint: the author has used this phrase repeatedly to make a bold point to his audience! Consider 7:27 and 9:12*)

...REFLECT ON THE WORD...

There's no way to grasp how significant it is that we are made holy before God if we don't grasp how desperately needy we are. We cannot truly love and be thankful to God if we don't see our sin. This is what separated Saul from David. Saul wanted the external things to look good to others. David, who also did terrible things, truly wanted a clean heart before God. David was saved from his sin – Saul, perished in his. Today, you can be assured of your position of holiness before God not because of anything you have ever done or could ever do but because of the sacrifice of Jesus on your behalf. He has made you holy. That is a once and for all act. You cannot lose your salvation. You are assured of your position in Christ for eternity because of His perfect sacrifice for you.

...Lesson Ten - Day Four...

...WRITE & MEMORIZE THE WORD...

HEBREWS 10:23-25

...PRAY THEN READ THE WORD...

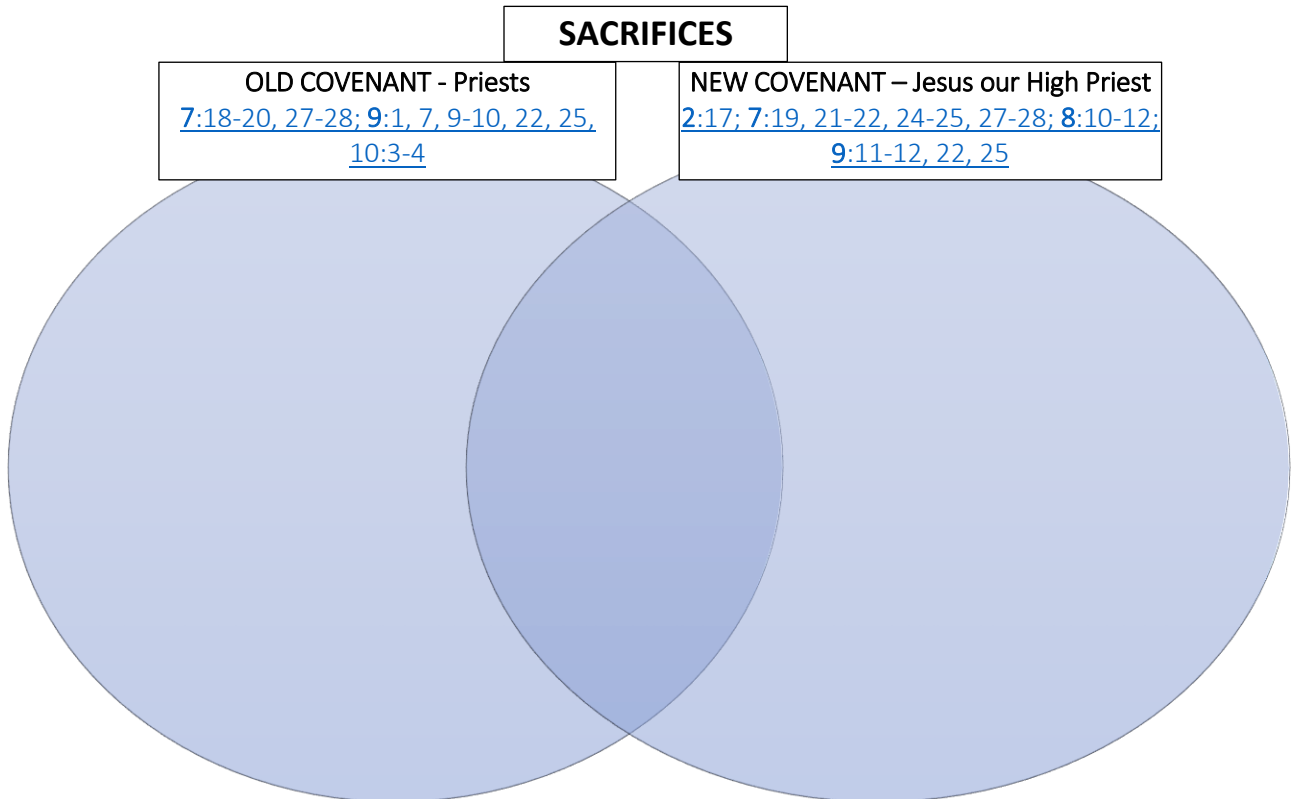
Pray for wisdom and understanding then read our passage for today: [Hebrews 10:11-14](#)

...DWELL IN THE WORD...

1. What point is the author making about the Old Covenant's priestly sacrifices? (Hebrews 10:11)

Why do you think he's pressing this point?

2. Hebrews 10:12 begins with an important signal word: "but." This points to a contrast between the Old and New Covenants and their sacrifices. Complete this diagram to outline the point he's making based on what you've learned about the purpose of sacrifices and differences between the Old and New Covenant. Use your personal notes and/or the Scripture references to assist you:



3. In what way is what Christ is now doing daily better than what the priests under the Old Covenant did daily?
Recall our memory verse from lesson seven – Hebrews 7:25
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4. Use Hebrews 10:12-14 to describe Christ's sacrifice:
How often was it needed? _____

What is He doing now? Consider also, Hebrews 1:3 and 8:1

What will He one day do? _____
5. The "enemies" of Christ will be made His footstool, therefore, it's important to know that you are not His enemy!
What does the Bible say about those who are and/or were the enemies of Christ?
[James 4:4; Romans 5:9-11; Ephesians 2:1-5](#)

What would you say is the opposite of being the "enemy" of Christ?

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6. Contrast the outcomes for the "enemies" of Christ and "those who are being sanctified." Consider also, [Hebrews 2:11 and 3:6](#). Review [Lesson Two, page 51](#) or [Lesson Nine, page 20](#) where we studied this important concept of being "sanctified."

Which are you? How do you know?

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7. How does Hebrews 10:13-14 mean for you today in terms of the hope you have? Consider also, [Heb. 2:7-9](#).

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8. Your Christian friend is really struggling with feeling inadequate and overcome by guilt from some past sins. How can you use the truth of God's Word in Hebrews 10 to encourage her?

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...REFLECT ON THE WORD...

"But wait! There's more!" the late-night infomercial salesman shouts...How many times have you seen a flashy infomercial for a new product claiming that it's so good that you'll "never need to buy another one!" It's such an exciting idea that people clamor to buy it and try it, but of course, with a rare exception, it never really quite works. Someday, somehow, that new thing is going to wear out, break apart, get dull, or lose its usefulness. The exact opposite is true in a spiritual sense for those who hold fast to Christ. What Christ has accomplished for us is a once and for all sure thing. We are not only cleansed from our sin, we are constantly being made holy – stain free. Nothing sticks except the righteousness of Jesus Christ. What we need to really grasp from this passage is that those who are friends of God are so because Christ mediated a better relationship so we could come near to Him. **But wait, there's more!** We are not just sanctified as a once and done act, we're constantly being sanctified because Jesus is always interceding for us. The next time you're down and questioning your position in Christ, remember that no good works on your part made you holy, so no bad works can remove it. You are secure in Christ because of what he has done. You can set it and forget it!

...Lesson Ten - Day Five...

...WRITE & MEMORIZE THE WORD...

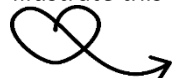
HEBREWS 10:23-25

...PRAY THEN READ THE WORD...

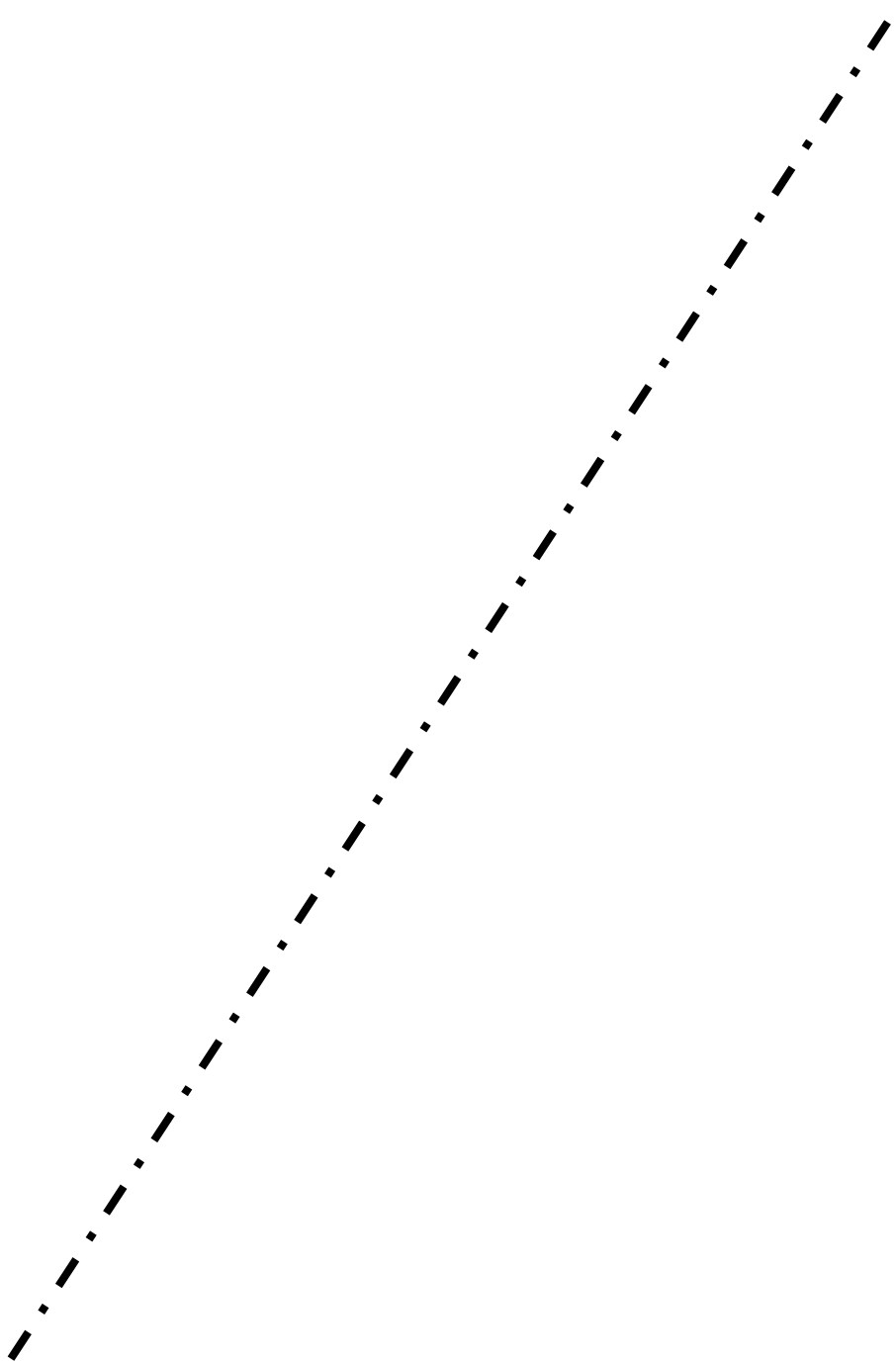
Pray for wisdom and understanding then read our passage for today: [Hebrews 10:15-18](#)

...DWELL IN THE WORD...

1. Compare how the author introduces this quote from Jeremiah 31 in Hebrews 10:15 to Hebrews 8:8. Specifically, who does he credit? _____
2. What role does the author remind us that the Spirit takes? Read [10:15](#) in several translations for clarity.
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3. Review [Hebrews 2:3-4](#). Consider not only the testimony of the Holy Spirit, but who else testifies to the truth of what the author is teaching?
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4. Why do you think the author is reviewing this point from Hebrews 8 (quoting part of Jeremiah 31 again.)
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5. Compare [Hebrews 9:22 and Hebrews 10:18](#). What's the big take-home message here?
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6. Read [2 Corinthians 5:17](#), where the apostle Paul makes his point about the difference between how things were and how things are – or can be – for those who are in Christ. Write that verse here:
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7. Atheists don't believe we need God to understand what is right and wrong. How would you respond to that based on what we've learned in Hebrews? Also consider [Romans 2:14-15](#).
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8. Consider the impact of the New Covenant on your life today. How would your life be different if God had not yet fulfilled His promise in Jeremiah 31 to "put His laws on our hearts and write them on our minds?" Illustrate this reality on the next page using any Scriptures from our study through Hebrews to help you.



THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN THEN BUT THIS IS NOW



...REFLECT ON THE WORD...

I'm a very nostalgic person. I could spend too much time just thinking on how I imagine life was back then...and "then" could be back in the 1950s or 1850s for that matter. With all the advances of technology, there's still something lovely about what I imagine was a simpler, slower-paced time. My daydreams are usually interrupted by my appreciation for modern conveniences like the flat iron, my Keurig, and medicine! The author seems personally invested in reminding us of a similar reality. The old is obsolete! The new has come. Don't long for the "good ol' days!" They weren't good enough at all! What the old system could never do, the new has done – brought us complete forgiveness, total holiness, and personal relationship. Don't go back. Don't even spend a moment longing for those days. Hold fast. Press on. Don't drift away...we have a better hope! "The old has gone...behold the new has come!" Praise God!

...Lesson Ten - Day Six...

...WRITE & MEMORIZE THE WORD...

HEBREWS 10:23-25

...PRAY THEN READ THE WORD...

Pray for wisdom and understanding then read our passage for today: [Hebrews 10:19-25](#)

...DWELL IN THE WORD...

1. The author is done making his case and now moves to his call to action! Highlight the signal word “therefore” in your Bible.
2. What is the author reminding us that we have? (10:19)

Why do we have it?

3. How does the author describe the “way” opened for us?

_____ and _____ **READ THIS!** →

Again, considering the Jewish audience, this would have been an especially powerful choice of words creating a searing image in their minds. How so?

Who had been “freshly slaughtered?” (relatively speaking)

It's Γρεκ το Με

The Greek word translated “new” in 10:20 is unique to Hebrews. It is from the Greek word πρόσφατον (prospaton) meaning literally: “freshly slaughtered.” Earlier in his message the author has taught us that we are in the time of the New Covenant (8:13.) The word translated “new” in that verse is καινήν (kainēn) meaning: new in quality. We’ll learn yet another Greek word for new later in chapter 12.



Every lamb that was ever slaughtered on the Day of Atonement was nothing but dead. How different was the Lamb of God who took away the sins of the world! He was “freshly slaughtered” but no way did he stay dead...he rose! Death, where is your victory? Where, O grave is your sting? We serve a living Savior!

4. While his word choice for “new” is dramatic, his word choice for “through the curtain” is no less so! Consider literally what happened to the curtain in the temple when Jesus was crucified. (Hint: [Matthew 27:51](#))

And the author wants us to see that connection between the torn curtain and the body of Jesus....

5. What parallel does the author make in 10:20 between the curtain and Jesus?

In Lesson 7 we learned that Scripture draws clear parallels between people and things that point forward to Christ. These are referred to as “Types.” What then is the curtain a “type” pointing to? _____

Consider the function of the curtain in the tabernacle, how was it a “copy and shadow” or “type” pointing to Jesus?

6. Read Hebrews 3:1-6 along with 10:21. What does the “house of God” refer to? _____

The phrase “house of God” (οἶκον τοῦ Θεοῦ/ oikon tou Theou) is only used in the New Testament to refer to the Temple (see Matthew 12:4.) But the author is connecting the concept of the people of God and the place for God in one point.

What point do you think the author is making? Consider also [1 Corinthians 3:16-17](#)

7. Five times earlier in his message, the author has exhorted us by saying, “Let us...” ([4:1](#), [11](#), [14](#), [16](#); [6:1](#).) Now in three more exhortations we are encouraged again. Paraphrase the “let us” statements in Hebrews 10:22-25.

Hebrews 10:22

Let us _____

List the 4 conditions for doing this:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)

Hebrews 10:23

Let us _____

to what:

List the 2 conditions for doing this:

- 1)
- 2)

Hebrews 10:24-25

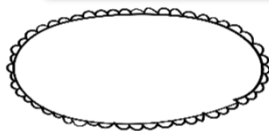
This begins with one “let us” phrase which is supported by two phrases here that each could begin with “let us.”

Let us

Let us...

Let us...

Summarize each in one word - Consider the parallel to [1 Corinthians 13:13](#)



...REFLECT ON THE WORD...

Growing up, my best friend had a strict rule in her house. Every time I came over to spend the night she would remind me, “Don’t touch anything in *that* room. My mom will kill us!” She’d giggle, but still look serious as we slipped past their formal dining and living rooms. We didn’t have a fancy room like that in my home, so that room was always a mystery to me, and I would let my eyes linger over every fine and imported object as we walked slowly by. I liked the idea of really pretty and expensive furniture that could only be used by very special people on very special occasions, but I also was a little sad that we weren’t special enough to ever sit there...until one night. On my girlfriend’s 15th birthday party her mom let us sit in that fancy room! We were scared and careful and definitely in awe of the opportunity! The carpet was white, the area rugs were imported, the sofas were cream colored and ornately decorated. So, there was still no flopping on furniture or feet on the sofa, but we were in that most special of rooms, and it was quite a big deal. We chatted like country club members while we ate little treats in this special room, but when bedtime came, off we went to her upstairs bedroom, and that room was off limits again. Like the off-limits dining room, the Holy of Holies was only available once a year, and that room was reserved for only one person - the current high priest. But when Christ came, he opened the room wide open! Rather than giving us rules on how to behave ourselves with distant decorum in God’s presence He said, “Come! Enter with boldness and confidence! Draw near with full assurance! You’re clean! Bring a friend; let’s be here together!” Sister, if there’s a message that my heart wants you to know today, it is this, you are not enough...but Jesus is. Jesus has made you clean, holy, set apart – and because of His sacrifice, His strength is made perfect in your weakness...and His grace is sufficient for you! Live in that confidence and boldness today!

...Lesson Ten - Day Seven...

...WRITE & MEMORIZE THE WORD...

HEBREWS 10:23-25

...PRAY THEN READ THE WORD...

Pray for wisdom and understanding then read our passage for today: [Hebrews 10:22-25](#)

...DWELL IN THE WORD...

Our Day Six study was a fly-over of four significant verses.
Today we'll get to dig a little deeper into these four. Are you ready? Let's go!

1. Did you pray?

I know it's one of those things that we can slide right past, but please only begin studying the Word after you have come humbly to the Father for wisdom to understand His Word.

2. Notice the author's emphasis on sincerity and consistency throughout this passage. Review 10:22-25 and look specifically for a word or phrase in each of the exhortations to faith, hope, and love that speak to us not being wish-washy:

vs. 22 – (Consider *how* we are to draw near) with a _____

vs. 23 – (Consider *how* we are to hope) without _____

vs. 25 – (Consider what we're not to do) _____

→ In the space below your answers, write the OPPOSITE action for each.

→ Next, give examples of how you can fulfill each in your life on a very practical level.

3. I have a sense that this author really knows his audience. Do you? Based on what he's exhorting here, what sort of behaviors might he be addressing?

Do you think this is likely to happen even today? If so, what would you do if you noticed this going on at your church? If not, why not?

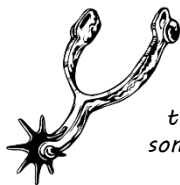
4. What did Paul say about this kind of faith? Read [Romans 4:13-16; 20-22](#)

5. You'll find a similar trio of exhortations (faith/hope/love) in the author's 2nd warning earlier in Hebrews [3:12-14](#). Note the parallels in that passage to 10:22-25.

6. Considering the context (Hebrews 9:21-10:11ff), what do you think the author is illustrating when he says hearts "sprinkled clean" and bodies "washed with pure water?" This wording is used also in [Ezekiel 36:25-27](#) which would be an excellent verse to highlight and memorize! Go check it out!

7. Read [Hebrews 10:24](#) from several translations. What ways is "stir up" one another expressed?

How do you think that looks on a practical level as we "meet together?"



The Greek word translated "stir up" one another is pretty strong! It literally means to "jab or cut!" In the same way a cowboy wears spurs to get a horse to go in the right way, this word παροξυσμὸν (paroxysmon) means to prod someone so they "must" respond. Stop and think about that! Are you willing to be that kind of sister in Christ to others? Ok, well, are you willing to have someone come alongside and "prod" you? If we are to take God at His word, I sincerely do not think there is any room for us to do otherwise!

8. Can you feel the sense of urgency in the author's tone, especially in 10:25? What does the author want us to do and why? Read [Romans 13:3b-5](#) also [1 Corinthians 3:12-14](#). How should we behave and why?

It's Γρεεκ το Με

The Greek word translated "full-assurance" is πληροφορία (plē-ro-phoria). It literally means wearing the work of God to the fullest extent, to the full capacity of the one who is "fully persuaded" by Him. You may recognize the suffix "phoria" from which we get the word "euphoria." "Phoria" means to "wear well." To have full assurance is to be fully convinced and to act on that conviction with boldness.

...REFLECT ON THE WORD...

Is there a more clear summary of the Christian life than these three words: faith, hope, love? I don't think so. In faith we draw near to God. That faith itself is a gift from God so we can thank Him for that. We wait in hope for His return and for all we need while we wait. The Psalmist wrote, "We wait in hope for the Lord. He is our help and our shield. In Him our hearts rejoice for we trust in His name." (Ps. 33) Isn't that exactly the life of a true believer? And finally, we love...we love one another and we love Him because He first loved us. We love Him so we obey and trust. We love one another so we encourage one another to love and do good works. Do you see how our lives circle around these three? What a powerful reminder of the central focus of our life in Christ!

...Lesson Ten - Day Eight...

...WRITE & MEMORIZE THE WORD...

HEBREWS 10:23-25

...PRAY THEN READ THE WORD...

Pray for wisdom and understanding then read our passage for today: [Hebrews 10:26-31](#)

...DWELL IN THE WORD...

We've got a lot to cover in this passage, so we'll take two days to move through it. There are several very essential truths I want us to be sure to grasp. Please set aside the time to thoughtfully study this passage.

1. Hebrews 10:26-27 opens with the fourth of the five warning passages the author of Hebrews lays out for us. Read and summarize these two strong verses. Underline the key words in this passage as you go; we'll dig into them next:

If...

After...

Then...

But this will happen...

And this too...

2. What kinds of sins are highlighted in 10:26? _____ What does it mean to sin deliberately? (This is a review from Lesson Nine.) Read [Numbers 15:30-31](#).

What about someone who sins unintentionally? What has God's Word taught us about these kinds of sins? Read [Leviticus 4:2-3](#)

3. Consider [2 Peter 2:20-22](#) and [Hebrews 6:4-5](#) and explain what you think the author means when he speaks of people who have received the "knowledge of the truth."

4. What is the significance of having a "sacrifice for sins?" Consider [Hebrews 9:22](#)

If your sins aren't forgiven, then what? Read [Hebrews 9:14, 22; 10:18](#) and [Matthew 26:28](#).

5. What can we expect will happen if we go on sinning deliberately? Review [Hebrews 10:27 and 2:1-3](#).

6. What does this judgment look like? How should we feel about it? Read [2 Thessalonians 1:5-10 and Hebrews 10:27, 31](#)

To whom will it apply? (Hebrews 10:27b) _____
Recall your response to [question #5 on Day Four](#).

7. Read and consider the strong point of Hebrews 10:28-30. What point is the author making by reminding us of the consequences under the law of Moses in comparison to the consequences under the New Covenant? (Highlight the word “witnesses” in 10:28. We’ll be coming back to it again in chapter 12.)

Old Covenant Consequences:

New Covenant Consequences:

8. In Hebrews 10:29, the author expands on exactly what it looks like to be one who is “sinning deliberately.” Give details about the three actions of these kinds of people:

1) trampled - _____

2) profaned - _____

3) outraged - _____

9. Let’s be clear. What is it like for those who go on sinning deliberate and face God? Write Hebrews 10:31 here:

...REFLECT ON THE WORD...

Remember that light and uplifting song, “He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands?” We sang those verses joyfully in Sunday School and around the fire at many camps. It’s a beautiful and biblical thought. God does have the whole world in his hands...from the “itty bitty baby to you and me, sister!” The same hands that hold and protect us in the world are the same hands in whom those who trample, profane, and outrage the Sprit of grace will find no happy campfire song moment. Rather, they will find that God is righteous and his righteousness allows for justice as well as mercy. While unwilling that any should perish, a day will come and is appointed for each, to face judgment. When that day comes you’ll either face God with Jesus as your mediator or face Him on your own merits – which Has already declared are as good as filthy rags. So, don’t miss this truth, sister: time will pass. It may seem like forever, and some might think that God isn’t going to return after all, but no matter how long it takes, the Lord doesn’t count time like you do. That day will come! And it will sneak up on people like a thief. What we know will be gone. Everything, every decision, every action will be exposed and the truth will reveal who was truly a follower of Christ. Today, is the day to get right and hear, “Come you who are blessed” or get left and hear, “Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire.”

...Lesson Ten - Day Nine...

...WRITE & MEMORIZE THE WORD...

HEBREWS 10:23-25

...PRAY THEN READ THE WORD...

Pray for wisdom and understanding then read our passage for today: [Hebrews 10:26-31](#)

...DWELL IN THE WORD...

1. Someone once told me that “the God of the Old Testament seems so harsh! I’m sure glad we have the ‘gentle Jesus’ of New Testament now!” Do you think this is accurate? How would you respond to a statement like this? Support your response with Scripture from Hebrews 10:26-30.

Describe the “God of the Old Testament”:

[Exodus 34:6-7](#)

[Lamentations 3:22-26](#)

2. Note in 10:30 the author says, “for we know him...” What do you think he meant by saying this?

3. Have you ever sinned...

...Unintentionally? ___ yes ___ no ...Intentionally? ___yes ___no

Read [Romans 3:10-18, 23](#). Does this apply to you? How so/not so?

Whether unintentional or intentional, what are the consequences of your sin? Read [Romans 6:23](#).

Is there any hope for escaping these consequences? Read [Romans 5:8](#) and [Hebrews 9:26](#) and explain:

It's Greek to Me

The Greek word translated “know” in Hebrews 10:30 is οἶδαμεν (oidamen). It’s a common word used over 300 times in the New Testament, but the significance here is important to note. The idea behind this word is that seeing becomes knowing. We should read and understand that the author is saying that knowing Jesus and knowing God like they have should be a gateway to grasping the spiritual truth. In other words, they know the God of the Old Testament from the law of Moses, how much more so should they know God through His Son right now!

How can you make sure that Christ's death and resurrection covers your sins? Read [Romans 10:9, 13](#)

If you've confessed and believed, what can you be assured of? Read [Romans 5:1, 8:1, and 8:38-39](#)

4. Do you feel and know that you have received "the knowledge of the truth" as described in Hebrews 10:26? Use one of the following columns for your response:

No. I really don't think so

What information about the truth do you still need?

Yes. I definitely have.

What impact is that knowledge having on your life today?

5. Confucius is quoted as saying, "I hear and I forget. I see and I remember. I do and I understand." Do you think this is true as it relates to those who received the knowledge but go on to trample Jesus, profane His blood sacrifice, and outrage the Spirit?

6. What is the connection between hearing, seeing, and living out (doing) the Word of God?

Consider [James 1:22-25](#) and [Luke 11:27-28](#)

7. The author has made a similar plea in the message of Hebrews! What has the author asked us to do in the following passages?

[Hebrews 2:8-9](#)

[Hebrews 2:1-3; 3:15](#)

[Hebrews 10:22-25](#)

...REFLECT ON THE WORD...

There's no true joy in good news if you don't understand the bad news, and the past couple of days in our study have really spelled out the bad. I want you to be informed and equipped...informed to know the truth and equipped to share it and defend it. By walking through the passages in Romans* today I hope you solidified your understanding of what it looks like to be saved and what you're saved from and to. Once you have this knowledge you must act on it! You can see it; you can hear it; but if you don't know it by living it out it's of no use to you – even worse, you are guilty of exactly what the author has been warning against. You are risking the fall – the greatest fall...falling into the hands of the living God. As great as the Father's love and mercy is for us, his judgment and vengeance will be as great. Make this the day that you live accordingly and share the good news of His love by helping others see the bad news of our sin and its consequences.

...Lesson Ten - Day Ten...

...WRITE & MEMORIZE THE WORD...

HEBREWS 10:23-25

...CREATE & SHARE...

1. After becoming enlightened, what did the audience of this message experience in their lives? Describe each from the details in the text:

1) Endured hard struggle...

2) Had compassion...

3) Joyfully accepted plundering...

2. Be honest, which one of the above would you be willing to live out today? Why? Why not the other two?

3. God's Word has a lot to say to those of us who are enlightened and look forward to "the Day drawing near." Read and summarize the following:

[James 1:2-4](#)

[2 Corinthians 11:24-33](#)

4. To what does the author attribute their joyfulness in the face of these trials?

5. Consider Peter's encouragement in [1 Peter 1:3-5](#). How is this "better possession" described by Peter?

6. How does Paul encourage believers in [Philippians 3:17-21](#)

7. The author of Hebrews follows us a positive thing to do (recall the former days). Jesus Himself gives a similar exhortation to the Ephesian church. Read and summarize [Revelation 2:1-7](#)

What had they been like?

What were they like now?

What does He tell them to do?

What will be the consequence if they don't?

8. On what basis does the author exhort them to not "throw away their confidence?"

Conversely, there is also a great punishment! What is that?

9. What do they have need of? _____ Why?...

The author closes with exactly the word of encouragement! Read on...

10. Paraphrase the prophetic encouragement the author closes with in 10:37-38

11. Finally, the author wraps up with an affirming word. Compare [Hebrews 10:39](#) and [Hebrews 6:9-12](#)

...REFLECT ON THE WORD...

What you think of recalling "former days" in your life, what comes to mind?

As I have shared before, I get nostalgic. I think of the simple days of my childhood – playing in the hills behind our home, making forts, riding bikes with friends...the romantic days of my first love, first date, first kiss. When I recall former days, I try not to relive or recount the bad stuff. But, that's exactly what the author wants us to do, because the bad days are only bad if they don't serve the kingdom. When our hardships serve God we show our faith. We should look back and see difficult times and learn from them. We should then "be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord, our labor is not in vain." There are no wasted experiences for those who are in Christ because we look forward to an imperishable reward!

...Lesson Ten - Day Eleven...

...WRITE & MEMORIZE THE WORD...

HEBREWS 10:23-25

...CREATE & SHARE...

See page 10 for instructions.



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