



# *Hebrews*

Six Week Bible Study

Part II



Prayer, Praise & Proclamation  
CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES

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### **Where Do You Put Your Faith?**

There will be times when you don't know how things are going to work out. When the pressures of life are swirling all around you, and a storm is raging within, where do you turn? Having faith is more than hoping for the best or believing in yourself. Christian Faith is trusting in someone greater than you and your circumstances: Jesus.

The Bible heroes of the Faith were ordinary men and women who trusted an extraordinary God to lead them through seemingly impossible situations. That same Faith is possible today.

Chapter 8-13 of the book of Hebrews explore topics like living each day by faith, growing through hard times, the strength of the covenant, and God's desire for a life-changing community.



## Lesson 7: Only Jesus Transforms - Hebrews 8:1-13

### *Jesus Established A New Covenant Based Upon God's Good Promises.*

#### **Hebrews 8:1-6 ~ The New Covenant Needed**

**1** Now this is the main point of the things we are saying: We have such a High Priest, who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens,

**2** a Minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle which the Lord erected, and not man.

**3** For every high priest is appointed to offer both gifts and sacrifices. Therefore it is necessary that this One also have something to offer.

**4** For if He were on earth, He would not be a priest, since there are priests who offer the gifts according to the law;

**5** who serve the copy and shadow of the heavenly things, as Moses was divinely instructed when he was about to make the tabernacle. For He said, "See that you make all things according to the pattern shown you on the mountain."

**6** But now He has obtained a more excellent ministry, inasmuch as He is also Mediator of a better covenant, which was established on better promises.

#### **Discussion Questions**

- **What does the picture of Jesus being seated at the Father's right hand say to you about Jesus' identity?**
- **How would you describe the sacrifice that Jesus made on your behalf?**

#### **Hebrews 8:7-9 ~ The New Covenant Promised**

**7** For if that first covenant had been faultless, then no place would have been sought for a second.

**8** Because finding fault with them, He says: "Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah--

**9** "not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they did not continue in My covenant, and I disregarded them, says the LORD.

#### **Discussion Questions**

- **What does God's promise of a new covenant teach about His love for all humanity?**

#### **Hebrews 8:10-13 ~ The New Covenant Described**

**10** "For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.

**11** "None of them shall teach his neighbor, and none his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them.

**12** "For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more."

**13** In that He says, "A new covenant," He has made the first obsolete. Now what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away.

**Lesson 7: Only Jesus Transforms - Hebrews 8:1-13 cont.**

**Jesus Established A New Covenant Based Upon God's Good Promises.**

**Discussion Questions**

- *How has God changed your life from the inside out?*
- *How has God's mercy influenced your walk with Christ?*
- *What does God's promise of forgiveness say about His love for you?*

*"The Old Covenant spoke outwardly to the inward man, but what was needed was something that could speak inwardly to the outward man. The New Covenant was given to do just that."*

**Dr. David Jeremiah**

**Obey The Text:**

We are unable to keep God's law on our own. Only through faith in Christ can we be set free from sin to live a life that demonstrates righteousness.

**Commit this Scripture to Memory:**

*"For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more."*

**Hebrews 8:12 NKJV**

**Share Your Testimony:**

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## Lesson 8: The Perfect Offering - Hebrews 9:11-15

*Christ Atoning Sacrifice Established A New Covenant Of Eternal Redemption.*

### Hebrews 9:11-12 Christ's Entry

**11** But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation.

**12** Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.

#### Discussion Questions:

- How does your awareness of what Jesus has done impact how you worship?

### Hebrews 9:13-14 Christ Superior Sacrifice

**13** For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh,

**14** how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

#### Discussion Questions:

- In what ways have you seen people try to make themselves pure before God?
- What are the shortcomings of these efforts?
- Are Christians motives for service different from the motives of non-Christians?

### Hebrews 9:15 Christ's Mediation

**15** And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.

#### Discussion Question:

- How does the idea of Jesus being the perfect Mediator impact your understanding of Him?

#### Activity - Bible Skill:

Connect the Old Testament prophecy to New Testament fulfillment.

- Read Jeremiah 31:31-34 and take note of the main features of the "New Covenant" that the prophet foresaw.
- Then read Luke 22:20 and observe what Jesus said about the "New Covenant."
- How does the fulfillment of prophecy support what the writer of Hebrews stated in Hebrews 9:15?

**Lesson 8: The Perfect Offering - Hebrews 9:11-15 cont.**  
**Christ Atoning Sacrifice Established A New Covenant Of Eternal Redemption.**

“Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah— not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them, says the LORD.

But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more.”

**Jeremiah 31:31-34 NKJV**

“Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you.”

**Luke 22:20 NKJV**

**Obey the Text**

Followers of Christ find rest from the demands of legalism. Christ gives believers a clear conscience to serve Him with a pure heart.

**Commit this Scripture to Memory:**

*“And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.”*

**Hebrews 9:15 NKJV**

God so loved this world that  
He gave His only Son

The Son so loved this world  
that He gave His only life

I don't know why Jesus  
suffered, bled and died for  
you and I

But because He did it  
we have eternal life

Christ Did It All  
Hezekiah Walker & LFCC

**Notes of Gratitude for His Sacrifice:**

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## Lesson 9: Faith Defined - Hebrews 11:1-19

### *A Relationship With God Begins With Faith In Jesus.*

#### **Hebrews 11:1-3 Faith Described**

**1** Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

**2** For by it the elders obtained a good testimony.

**3** By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- What might anxiety about the future say about a person's trust in God? In your understanding, what is the difference between faith and hope?
- Who might be observing you at this time as a role model of trusting God in the face of uncertainties?

#### **Hebrews 11:4-13 Faith Demonstrated**

**4** By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and through it he being dead still speaks.

**5** By faith Enoch was taken away so that he did not see death, "and was not found, because God had taken him"; for before he was taken he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

**6** But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

**7** By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith.

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- What do your offerings reveal about your faith in God?
- How are faith in God and obedience to His ways related?
- Can you have one without the other? Explain.

#### **Hebrews 11:8-19 God Uses Ordinary People**

**8** By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going.

**9** By faith he dwelt in the land of promise as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise;

**10** for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

**11** By faith Sarah herself also received strength to conceive seed, and she bore a child when she was past the age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised.

**12** Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born as many as the stars of the sky in multitude--innumerable as the sand which is by the seashore.

**13** These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar

## Lesson 9: Faith Defined - Hebrews 11:1-19 cont.

### **A Relationship With God Begins With Faith In Jesus.**

off were assured of them, embraced them and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

**14** For those who say such things declare plainly that they seek a homeland.

**15** And truly if they had called to mind that country from which they had come out, they would have had opportunity to return.

**16** But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly country. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them.

**17** By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten son,

**18** of whom it was said, "In Isaac your seed shall be called,"

**19** concluding that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead, from which he also received him in a figurative sense.

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- Was Abraham different in any way than you and I as it relates to his faith in God?
- How important is our faith in the true and living God?

***"For the unbeliever, seeing is believing. For the believer, believing is seeing."***

**David Jeremiah**

#### **Obey The Text**

Real faith is trusting God with all our lives, including our future. Real faith leads to actions that demonstrate trust in God and His promises. God is pleased when we act upon our faith in Him.

#### **Commit this Scripture to Memory:**

*"But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him."*

**Hebrews 11:6 NKJV**



***The Word cannot come to your lips and go out of your mouth until it is first within you, or in your mind.***

**- Tony Evans**

*(Receiving the Word Daily Devotional)*



## Lesson 10: The Discipline of Suffering - Hebrews 12:1-8

### Christ Perfect Sacrifice Calls For His Followers To Remain Faithful Regardless.

**Discipline:** control gained by enforcing obedience or order; orderly or prescribed conduct or pattern of behavior

**Suffer:** to submit to or be forced to endure; to endure death, pain, or distress

#### Hebrews 12:1-3 Enduring

**1** Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

**2** looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

**3** For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls.

#### Discussion Questions:

- Whose story of faith inspires you to keep on trusting Jesus?
- What situations might cause you to become spiritually distracted?

How can you avoid getting off track?

- How would you describe what it takes to finish well in life?

#### Hebrews 12:4-8 Disciplined

**4** You have not yet resisted to bloodshed, striving against sin.

**5** And you have forgotten the exhortation which speaks to you as to sons:

“My son, do not despise the chastening of the LORD,

Nor be discouraged when you are rebuked by Him;

**6** For whom the LORD loves He chastens,  
And scourges every son whom He receives.”

**7** If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten?

**8** But if you are without chastening, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons.

#### Discussion Questions:

- What kinds of training do Christ followers need?
- How does discipline fit in?
- What role has adversity played in God's nurturing in your life?

## Lesson 10: The Discipline of Suffering - Hebrews 12:1-8

**Christ Perfect Sacrifice Calls For His Followers To Remain Faithful Regardless.**

### Obey The Text

Christians are called to live out their lives consistently throughout their lifetimes, striving to finish well. Running the race of faith may include physical suffering for the sake of Christ. The believer can find strength in Christ to endure adversity and to be strengthened by discipline.

### Commit this Scripture to Memory

*“Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.”*

**Hebrews 12:11 NKJV**

### Live it Out Challenge:

Share your faith with others (coworkers, friends, etc.) and invite them to service. For each person you speak mark off using the icons below.



## Lesson 11: A New Kind of Community - Hebrews 12:18-24

**Because Of The Blood Of Jesus, Believers Can Have Joyful Fellowship With One Another And With God.**

**Community:** *a unified body of individuals*

### Hebrews 12:18-21 From a Terrifying Encounter

**18** For you have not come to the mountain that may be touched and that burned with fire, and to blackness and darkness and tempest,

**19** and the sound of a trumpet and the voice of words, so that those who heard it begged that the word should not be spoken to them anymore.

**20** (For they could not endure what was commanded: "And if so much as a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned or shot with an arrow.")

**21** And so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I am exceedingly afraid and trembling.")

### Discussion Questions:

- What experiences have you had that deeply impressed you regarding God's holiness, power, and the revelation of truth?
- When does the awareness of God's presence make you afraid? When are you comforted by that awareness?
- What can you do to help others better understand the new covenant in Jesus Christ?

### Hebrews 12:22-24 To a Festive Gathering

**22** But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels,

**23** to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect,

**24** to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel.

### Discussion Questions:

- Where do your thoughts take you when you ponder what it will be like to see the Lord face to face in heaven?
- How does the blending of God's majesty with His closeness impact the ways that you worship Him?
- In what ways does your church look like a new covenant community composed of redeemed sinners?

***"Mount Sinai gave the Law that only the cross could satisfy." - Unknown***

## Lesson 11: A New Kind of Community - Hebrews 12:18-24

**Because Of The Blood Of Jesus, Believers Can Have Joyful Fellowship With One Another And With God.**

### Obey the Text

Believers can joyfully approach the Father, putting aside fear and dread. This joy is seen in how believers relate to one another in community. The acceptance found in Christ can be offered to others willing to follow Him.

### Commit this Scripture to Memory

*"Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. For our God is a consuming fire."*

**Hebrews 12:28-29 NKJV**

### Live it Out Challenge:

Using Social Media, post, tweet or snap how fellowshiping with 3Ps Christian Ministries has impacted your life?

What makes you excited to come to church?

Use any of the following hashtags:

- #3PsBibleStudy
- #HebrewsPt2
- #3PsCommunity
- #3PsLiveOutChallenge

**Instagram** - @3PsMinistries

**Twitter** - @3PsMinistries

**Facebook** - @3PsMinistries



## Lesson 12: Live Out the Faith - Hebrews 13:1-8

**Believers are to live a higher standard.**

*"We are responsible, whether we like it or not, to live in such a way that people won't be disappointed in Jesus because the Jesus they see is the Jesus they see in us."*

**-David Jeremiah**

### **Hebrews 13:1-3 Show Hospitality**

**1** Let brotherly love continue.

**2** Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some have unwittingly entertained angels.

**3** Remember the prisoners as if chained with them--those who are mistreated--since you yourselves are in the body also.

### **Discussion Questions:**

- How can you show God's love to other believers?
- How can you show God's love to unbelievers in your neighborhood?

### **Hebrews 13:4 Respect Marriage**

**4** Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge.

### **Discussion Question:**

- What can you do to uphold God's standard for marriage? In what ways can the church help married couples strengthen their relationships?

### **Hebrews 13:5-6 Security in God**

**5** Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."

**6** So we may boldly say:

"The LORD is my helper;

I will not fear.

What can man do to me?"

### **Discussion Question:**

- In your own life, how has being content in the Lord proven more worthy than having lots of money?

### **Hebrews 13:7-8 Imitate Proven Leaders**

**7** Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of their conduct.

**8** Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

## Lesson 12: Live Out the Faith - Hebrews 13:1-8

**Believers are to live a higher standard.**

### Discussion Questions:

- Who are some of your heroes of faith in the Lord?
- How do they inspire you to remain faithful to Christ?

### Obey the Text

The ways that believers treat one another demonstrates the depth to which they understand the gospel. Believers are characterized by respect for marriage. God's presence influences how believers treat others, especially the down and out. Faithful Christian leaders serve as examples to the community of faith.

### Commit this Scripture to Memory

*"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever."*

**Hebrews 13:8 NKJV**



**What are your key takeaways from this two part study in Hebrews?**

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