



HEBREWS RECAP

Therefore, since we are receiving a Kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe for our God is a consuming fire.

- Worship – an act or activity that expresses adoration, reverence, or devotion to the Lord
- Acceptably – in an acceptable/pleasing manner
- Reverence and awe – with profound respect and holy fear
- Two reasons
 - We have been given an unshakeable kingdom – there is a refuge for us
 - Our God is a consuming fire – His holiness will burn up all that is unholy





HEBREWS 13:1-10

V1 - Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters.

- As Christians – adopted into new family with many brothers and sisters
- Love – (combines words for ‘friend’ and ‘brother’); to seek the good of another even if it costs
- Most important name tag = Christian





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V2- Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some have welcomed angels without knowing it.

- Hospitality – combines word for ‘brother’ and ‘stranger;’ treating a stranger as a brother/sister
- Tightest circle – offering food/shelter to traveling Christians
- Abraham hosted 2 angels and Angel of the Lord (Jesus?) in Gen 18
- Could be abused – *Didache* : Let every apostle who comes to you be received as the Lord, but **he must not stay more than one day, or two if it is absolutely necessary**; if he stays three days, he is a false prophet. And when an apostle leaves you, **let him take nothing but a loaf**, until he reaches further lodging for the night; if he asks for money, he is a false prophet.”





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V3- Continue to remember those who are in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering.

- Some of congregations was imprisoned because of their relationship with Jesus
- To visit = identifying; could put visitor at risk
- We are part of a body – 1Cor 12.26: if one part suffers every part suffers with it





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V4- Marriage should be honored by all and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral.

- Honored – respected
- Focus on sexual fidelity –
 - Husband/wife – no sleeping with anyone else (adultery)
 - Anyone (married or single) – no sleeping with married person (sexual immorality)
- Think of spirit of the law and not just letter
 - If married – do interactions with opposite gender show respect for your spouse/marriage?
 - With a married person – do interactions with opposite gender show respect for their spouse/marriage?
 - Are we being flirtatious, are we being overly attentive/too much time, sharing too deeply?
 - Make sure you have guardrails/checkpoints especially if regularly put in positions that could be compromising/disrespectful towards marriage





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V5-6: Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said: Never will I leave you never will I forsake you, and so we say with confidence, The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid, what can mere mortals do to me?

- Love of money – combines word for ‘friend’ and ‘silver’
- Content – be satisfied
- Context – property of some has been confiscated
- Love of money can take root in our hearts regardless of income level and is root of all kinds of evil (1Tim 6.10)
- Great temptation of Money - to provide our security
- Giving is primary means of resisting this temptation





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V7-8: Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

- Imitate – to use as a model
- Two questions
 - Who are you imitating?
 - Who are people following if they are imitating you?
- Jesus is both:
 - Everlasting – everyone we imitate will die
 - Eternally consistent – everyone we imitate will fall short, sin, disappoint





PSALM 103

From Psalm 103

Father, we thank You that You are
compassionate and gracious, slow to anger,
and abounding in love;

that as high as the heavens are above the
earth, so great is Your love for those of us
who fear You;

and as far as the east is from the west,

so far have You removed our transgressions
from us.



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From Psalm 103

We praise You Jesus, and remember all the benefits of Your death and resurrection —

- You forgive us all our sins and heal all our diseases,

Silently confess any known sins

- You redeem our life from the pit and crown us with love and compassion,

Silently acknowledge any place from which you need to be rescued

- You satisfy our desires with good things so that our youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Silently name any hopes you are waiting to be fulfilled

Holy Spirit, would You stir faith in us as we take this communion.

May it be a channel of the Father's love and grace into our hearts. Amen.



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