Concluding Exhortations - Hebrews 13:1-25

Topics

Angels, Atonement, Challenge, Confidence, Heaven, Holiness, Immorality, Jesus Christ, Judgment, Leadership, Love, Marriage, Materialism, Mediator, Money, New Covenant, Peace, Praise, Prayer, Unbelievers

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20.	What does hospitality mean or entail?
21.	How are you able to extend hospitality to others?
22.	Why do you think praise of God is so important for us to practice?
23.	How would you counsel a friend who was struggling in the area of sexual purity?
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App	oly It Questions
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28.	What Christian friend or friends can you encourage to continue walking with Christ? How?

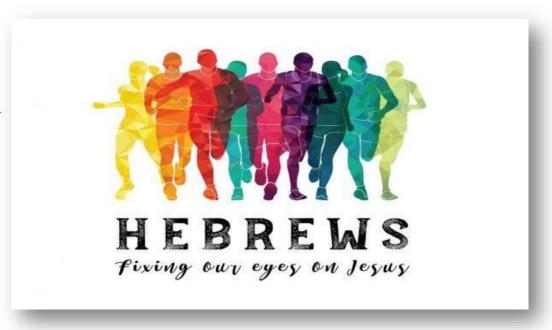
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Hebrews 13:1-25
"Concluding
Instructions"

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth (2 Timothy 2:15 KJV).



PRAYER



- >Sick
- **>**Bereaved
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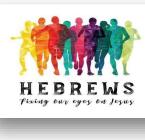


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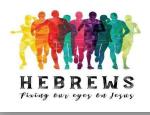
INTRODUCTION



After giving commands to pursue peace and holiness (12:14-29), the book of Hebrews presents three commands that deal with the social life of a Christian (13:1-3). This final chapter presents a series of exhortations [instructions] regarding believers' social, private, and religious lives. The readers are encouraged to make a final break with Judaism. The changeless Christ remains both our great High Priest and the perfect sacrifice. All people need the salvation available only through the Lord Jesus.



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LESSON OUTLINE



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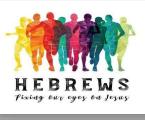
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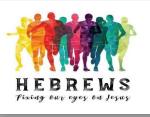
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Get It Questions
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Apply It Questions
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Women of Hope

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ZOOM Meeting ID: 883 5365 1669 or Mobile: 1-312-626-6799



Youth Department Event Pre-K through 5th Grade Students Saturday, April 16, 2022 – 2:00pm to 4:00pm

Location: The New Hope MBC Church Grounds



He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: 'The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.' (Luke 24:6-7 NIV)

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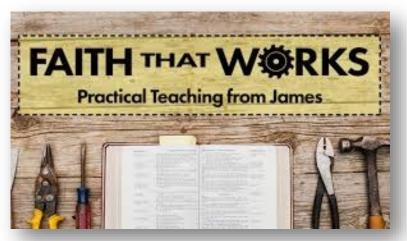
Who: Pre-K through 5th Grade Students Refreshments: Pizza & Juice Boxes

Come hunt for the true meaning of Easter. Find the relics of the Resurrection Event (Cross, Crown, Robe, Tomb, Etc.) and turn tnem in for prizes.

Have Questions?
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Bible Study





Wednesday, April 20, 2022

@12:00 Noon In-Person

@7:00pm Evening Virtual via Zoom

James 1:1-18
Background & Context
Enduring Trials and Temptations

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