

“The Summit: A Hebrews Retrospective”

Session 13 – Hebrews



INTRO

Read It:

We have reached the end of our journey through Hebrews. We've seen that Jesus is better than angels, prophets, priests, and the old law. Today isn't about learning new information; it's about celebrating the transformation. We are standing on the summit looking back at how far we've come.

SECTION 1 – Supremacy of the Son

Read it: Hebrews 1:3 and 2:1

Questions:

- 1. The Weight of the Word:** Hebrews 1:3 describes Jesus as the "radiance of the glory of God," yet 2:1 warns us to "pay much closer attention... lest we drift away." **What is one truth about Jesus that acts like an anchor for you when life tries to pull you into a "drift"?**

Read it: Hebrews 8:6

- 2. The Better Promise:** Verse 8:6 says Jesus mediates a "better covenant enacted on better promises." **Why does it change your daily stress levels to know that your welcome at God's table is based on His unchanging faithfulness rather than your ability to keep every rhythm perfectly?**

Read It:

Because we have an Anchor who never moves, we can now establish daily rhythms that keep us tethered to Him.

SECTION 2 – Kingdom Rhythms & Practices

Read It: Hebrews 10:23-24 and 12:1

Questions:

- 1. The Great Cloud:** We've spent time with the "Heroes of Faith" in Chapter 11. **Who is someone in your own life (past or present) who has been a "witness" to you, helping you stay in the race when you wanted to quit?**
- 2. The Unswerving Hope:** Verse 10:23 tells us to "hold unswervingly... for he who promised is faithful." **What is one new rhythm or practice in your walk with God that has started to feel more natural to you and how do you intend to hold onto it?**

SECTION 3 – The “Better” List

Reflect on It:

Read It:

Take a few minutes to look back at your journey. On a piece of paper, write down three specific things in your life that Jesus is “better” than . . . maybe an old fear, a false security you used to lean on, or a shifting cultural value. Ask God to show you what step you can take to anchor yourself in Christ.

Take a few minutes to reflect.

SECTION 4 – The Zion Celebration

Read It:

- Hebrews 12:22-24, 27-28
- Hebrews 13:20-21

Read It:

We've learned that we don't live at the mountain of fear anymore. We live at Mount Zion . . . the place of joyful assembly. As we close this series, we want to look at what it means to actually live as citizens of this Unshakable Kingdom every day.

Questions:

- 1. The Unshakable Kingdom:** In verse 12:27, the author says that God shakes things so that "what cannot be shaken may remain." That means "shaking" isn't always bad. **Looking back at the last 13 sessions, can you identify anything that God has "shaken" away and what has remained because it was anchored in Jesus?**
- 2. The Equipped Life:** In the final blessing (vs. 13:20–21), the author asks God to "equip you with everything good for doing his will." **Looking back at the "Better" things we've studied, what is one area where you feel more "equipped" or confident in your faith?**

DO IT: The Benediction Exchange

Read It:

We're going to close tonight a little differently. I want you to listen as I simply read Hebrews 13:20-21 over you.

Hebrews 13:20-21

²⁰Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, ²¹equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

This isn't just a nice way to end a letter; this is a royal send-off. After we pray and as you leave today, remember that the God of Peace is the one working in you. You aren't running this race alone.

PRAY IT:

Prayer:

Lord Jesus, we thank You for being the radiance of God's glory and the Anchor of our souls. We praise You as our Great High Priest who is not distant but sympathizes with our weaknesses and is not ashamed to call us Your own.

Thank You that the veil is torn and we have access to You. Because of Your better sacrifice, we no longer tremble at the mountain of fear but join the joyful assembly of Mount Zion. We choose to stay anchored in You, the same yesterday, today, and forever, so that we do not drift away.

Surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, help us to run with endurance the race set before us. May the God of peace now equip us with everything good for doing His will, working in us what is pleasing in His sight. We finish this Bible study recognizing that we are citizens of an unshakable Kingdom, offering You a continual sacrifice of praise. Jesus You are BETTER. Amen.