

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. How do we let brotherly love continue?
2. Does the admonition to entertain strangers still apply in our present day? Discuss.
3. Is it easy to be content? What things influence our thinking?
4. Do we suffer reproach for Christ? If so, how?
5. Why should we submit to our spiritual leaders?
6. Does contentment lead to Godliness? Discuss.

SUMMARY:

In closing our study of the book of Hebrews we are given a number of final exhortations for our Christian life. We should apply all of these because they are the very essence of the changed life built upon love, humility, concern for others and subduing our own desires.

We are living in treacherous times and perhaps one of the most important exhortations is that we should not be swayed by strange doctrines. We are subject to “brain washing” which changes man’s concept of right and wrong, but let us always remember that God is the final judge. What He determines as sin can never be altered by man’s wishful thinking.

NOTES:

APOSTOLIC CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible Lesson #13

September 27, 2026

Third Quarter

THE BELIEVER’S DUTIES

LESSON TEXT: *Hebrews 13:1-22*

LESSON SETTING: Believed to have been written by the apostle Paul from Italy to the Christian Jews.

TIME: Approximately 64 A.D.

- I. DUTIES TO OURSELVES AND OTHERS.** Hebrews 13:1-8
 - A. Show Brotherly Love (vs. 1) 1 Thessalonians 3:12; 1 Peter 1:22
 - B. Be Hospitable (vs. 2) Deuteronomy 10:19; Titus 1:8
 - C. Sympathy for Those in Adversity (vs. 3) Isaiah 58:7 Galatians 6:2; James 1:27
 - D. Be Content (vs. 5) Philippians 4:11; 1 Timothy 6:6, 8
- II. DUTIES TO CHRIST.** Hebrews 13:9-15
 - A. Be Doctrinally Sound (vs. 9) Psalm 112:7; Colossians 2:7; 2 Thessalonians 2:17
 - B. Be Willing to Suffer Reproach (vs. 12, 13) Matthew 5:11; 10:22; 1 Peter 4:14
 - C. Praise God (vs. 15) Psalm 9:11; 67:3; 1 Peter 2:9
- III. DUTIES TO LEADERS.** Hebrews 13:16-22
 - A. Submit to Them (vs. 17) 1 Corinthians 16:16; 1 Thessalonians 5:21; 1 Peter 5:5
 - B. Pray for Them (vs. 18, 19) Ephesians 6:19; 1 Thessalonians 5:25; 2 Thessalonians 3:1; Hebrews 13:7

GOLDEN TEXT: *LET YOUR CONVERSATION BE WITHOUT COVETOUSNESS; AND BE CONTENT WITH SUCH THINGS AS YE HAVE: FOR HE HATH SAID I WILL NEVER LEAVE THEE, NOR FORSAKE THEE.*
Hebrews 13:5

NEXT SUNDAY'S LESSON: Acts 9:1-31

SUPPLEMENTAL REFERENCES: Exodus 3:1-12; Jeremiah 1:1-10

QUARTERLY THEME: LIFE AND WRITINGS OF PAUL

TOPIC: PAUL MEETS CHRIST

INTRODUCTION:

When Saul started his trip to Damascus, he little realized that this was his final journey as an enemy of God, even though he thought he was doing God a service. God had enough of letting this zealot run rampant over His infant church. All this energy was being wasted toward destruction instead of construction.

The encounter with Jesus was very dramatic and indeed it had to be, in order to drive home to Saul the seriousness of his crime. From a lion into a lamb, Saul's conversion is one of the shortest recorded in scripture.

CENTRAL TRUTH: In mercy, God forgives men and equips them for His service.

GOLDEN TEXT: *LORD, WHAT WILT THOU HAVE ME TO DO?*

Acts 9:6

Since the time of Paul, how many times has this question been repeated? Its full effect in a person's life can, however, only be felt when the emphasis is placed on the personal pronoun "me". Conversion is a personal matter between Jesus and the individual. There are no shortcuts, no substitutes, no salvation by proxy. We either are, or we are not.

And what does the Lord want me to do? To be a chosen vessel, meet for the Master's use.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF Sept. 28– Oct. 4

Mon. God Calls a Deliverer. Exodus 3:1-12
Tue. God Calls a Priest. 1 Samuel 3:1-10
Wed. God Calls a King. 1 Samuel 16:1-13
Thu. God Calls a Prophet. Jeremiah 1:1-10
Fri. *God Converts an Enemy. Acts 9:1-9
Sat. *God Commissions an Apostle. Acts 9:10-22
Sun. *God Cares for His Servant. Acts 9:23-31

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