



SERMON NOTES

KEEP MOVING FORWARD

Moving from Sunday to Monday

"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.'" (Hebrews 12:28-29)

Moving from Sunday to Monday... what does this look like?

A Life of Healthy Relationships...

- Loving one another
"Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters." (Hebrews 13:1)
- Showing Hospitality
"Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers..." (Hebrews 13:2)
- Caring for those in need
"Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them..." (Hebrews 13:3)
- Honoring marriage
"Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure..." (Hebrews 14:4)
- Handling money well
"Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have..." (Hebrews 13:5)

...That is Rooted in Truth

The role of leaders:

- *"It is good for our hearts to be strengthened by grace..." (Hebrews 13:8)*
- *"...good authority grows and empowers those who are under it." – Jonathan Leeman, Authority*

"Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you." (Hebrews 13:17)

DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

Sermon Overview

Weariness. Sluggishness. Apathy. We have all experienced these feelings at some point—they drain our excitement and energy for living well. So, what do you do when you find yourself in a season of exhaustion and fatigue?

The book of Hebrews is written to a group of Christians who had found themselves in that type of season. In the midst of opposition and life's complications, they were in danger of losing interest in following Christ. So, this book reminds them of the resources they have in Christ and the nature of the journey they are on. All along the way, the author's challenge to them and to us is simply this—keep moving forward!

Praying Scripture

The prayer focus this week is Hebrews 13:1.

"Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters."

Below is an example of how to pray the passage:

Father, thank you for loving us even though we don't deserve it. Remind us of that beautiful truth and help us to love one another deeply with grace and truth. Give us patience with those who challenge us and help us treat one another as beloved family members. We pray this in the name of Jesus, Amen.

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MARCH 24

As the author of Hebrews ends his letter, the last chapter is loaded with commands. At first glance, it may seem like a giant, unrealistic to-do list with lots of check-boxes. However, something else is actually going on. Having described in eloquent terms the ministry and superiority of Jesus Christ, the author leaves us with snapshots of what it means to live this out in everyday life. In other words, he shows us how to move our faith from Sunday to Monday.



DAY ONE

Breathe, listen, pray and ask the Spirit to guide your time.

Read: Hebrews 13:1-25.

1. What initial exhortation is given in 13:1? Why are the actions mentioned in 13:2-3 expressions of verse 1?
2. Earlier in the book, the author stressed throwing off hindrances, living at peace, and being holy. (12:1,4) What two examples of holiness and avoiding hindrances are mentioned in 13:4-5?
3. What fears does the author imply often lie at the root of the love of money? What does he state is the answer to those fears?
4. What do you think is the connection between the admonition in 13:7 and the statement in 13:8?

Reflect on how you love others. If you're honest, do you have biases and stereotypes that hinder your ability to love the way the Jesus exhorts us to do?

DAY TWO

Breathe, listen, pray and ask the Spirit to guide your time.

Read Hebrews 13:1-25.

1. The author now makes an unusual statement. What do you think he meant when he said to not get carried away by strange teachings? What are the strange doctrines he mentions in 13:9? See Deuteronomy 18:1 for clarity.
2. What does the fact that Jesus was crucified outside Jerusalem tell us about his sacrifice? (Hebrews 13:11-12) What does, *"Let us, then, go to him outside the camp, bearing the disgrace he bore?"* (13:13)
3. As opposed to animal sacrifices offered under the Old Covenant, what two sacrifices are believers now to offer God? (13:15-16)

Reflect on the admonitions in 13:2-5. Which one needs your attention the most? Write out your thoughts.



DAY THREE

Breathe, listen, pray and ask the Spirit to guide your time.

Read Hebrews 13:1-25.

1. What three requests does the author make with regard to how we should relate to our leaders? (13:17-19)
2. How is God described in the beautifully written benediction? How is Jesus described? (13:20-21)
3. What is your response to the author's words in 13:22? How would you describe his benediction?

Reflect on verse 21. How have you been equipped with everything good to do his will? Make this thought a matter of prayer and be open to what the Spirit says to you.

Respond and Apply: Summarize Hebrews 13:1-25 in your own words. What one aspect of this chapter do you want to take to heart this week and intentionally obey and apply?

As we finish this final chapter in the book of Hebrews, worship by listening to this song, "[Worthy of It All](#)," which reminds us that Jesus is worthy of all our worship. As Hebrews states, he is superior in every way.

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

1. How did Pastor George connect the principles in chapter 13 to Hebrews 12:28?
2. Read Hebrews 13:1-5. What are the relationships mentioned in these verses? Why do you think the author mentions these relationships as a way of life for believers?
3. How does Hebrews 13:5-6 give you hope and confidence to live your Christian life?
4. In verses 7-17, the author mentions church leadership? What challenges do leaders face in the church today? How do people in the church make it challenging for leaders? What has your experience been with church leadership?
5. Why is it so important to pray for your church leadership?
6. What's one principle from this passage that you will apply in a concrete and practical way in the next month?