

Week 12 – Radiant Savior Hebrews 13:1-19 – May 19, 2024

Check out one of these helpful resources: How to Read Hebrews – Tim Mackie: <u>https://bit.ly/3OSjeXD</u> Hebrews – Derwin Gray: <u>https://bit.ly/3OOTI5w</u>

Allow God to speak to you through his written Word. The goal of this time is to have quality connection and time together. Choose questions from Know, Grow, and Show that will best help your group discuss the passage and take their next steps of faith. Don't feel like you need to use all the questions. Feel free to add your own too! We are praying for you as you lead your D-Group this week!

KNOW (Build Relationships)

- What does the idea of "brotherly love" mean to you personally? How have you seen it displayed in the church community? (v.1)
- Have you ever felt like a "stranger" or outsider in a group? What made that experience difficult or awkward? (v.2)
- When was the last time you showed hospitality to someone new or a visitor? What did that look like? (v.2)
- As a worker, have you ever felt mistreated or had your rights violated by an employer or authority? How did you respond? (v.3)
- Marriage is held in high honor in this passage. How have you seen marriage vows lived out faithfully or dishonored? (v.4)
- What role models in your life have exemplified being content and free from the love of money? How have they influenced you? (v.5)
- Where have you seen leaders in the church set a worthy example to follow through their conduct and faith? (v.7)

GROW: (Grow Spiritually)

- Why does the author emphasize continuing in brotherly love and hospitality in verses 1-2? How do these relate to imitating Christ?
- Why was it important to "remember the prisoners" in that cultural context? What parallel applications could we make today? (v.3)
- How does honoring marriage as God intended help our witness to unbelievers (v.4)?
- How can being content and free from the love of money practically help us experience God's presence and provision? (v.5-6, Phil 4:10-13)
- What is the significance of Jesus Christ being "the same yesterday, today and forever"? How does this truth bring assurance? (v.8)
- Consider the quote by C.S. Lewis: "The Christian does not think God will love us because we are good, but that He will make us good because He loves us." How do you respond to this quote?
- Explain the meaning of not being "carried away by all kinds of strange teachings" in relation to holding firm to sound doctrine. (v.9)
- How does keeping a focus on the cross and Christ's sacrifice help guard against errant teachings and pursuits? (v.10-14, John 19:17-18)
- What does it mean to "continually offer up a sacrifice of praise" according to verse 15?
- What is the relationship between the author's encouragement to pray and their own confidence that they have clear consciences? (v.18-19)

e-e SHOW: (Live on Mission)

- What is one way you can intentionally show brotherly love to someone in your church community this week?
- How can we as a group better exemplify the virtue of hospitality to visitors and those on the fringes?
- Is there a "prisoner" situation (poverty, injustice, oppression, etc.) that God may be calling us to "remember" through prayer, support, or action?
- Are there any "strange teachings" you've been inadvertently carried away by that need to be re-anchored in sound doctrine?
- What is one step of obedience you sense God calling you to take in response to this passage? How can we hold each other accountable?