

The Book of Hebrews Bible Study Lesson 3

Hebrews 10:19-25 Questions

My Sins are Many, But God's Mercies are More

Pray for the Lord to guide you through this study time.

Read Page 4 *“John Newton’s Letters to a Friend”* and Hebrews 10:19-25

1. When we are aware of a person struggling in daily life, depleted of hope or happiness, how would we help them? Or what about ourselves when we are depleted of hope or happiness, what’s our go to? Multiple choice! Choose as many as you think can pull you out of a rut.

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| a. Shopping | b. Eat something yummy | c. Not sinning |
| d. Worship more | e. Attend church more | f. Pray constantly |
| g. Study God’s Word | h. Help needful people | i. Please everyone |
| j. Lose weight | k. Eat right | l. Exercise |
| m. Get organized | n. Plan a vacation | o. Find agreeable friend |
| p. Agreeable Spouse | q. Obedient children | r. People at peace |
| s. More money | t. Perfect environment | u. Better job |
| v. No whiners | w. Have no responsibilities | x. I’m in charge |
| y. Other: _____ | z. None of the above | |

The writer of Hebrews is emphatic about WHAT we put our daily confidence and assurance in. He doesn’t just teach the TRUTH to the church, but he demands a response of the TRUTH. He knows that the salvation of their souls are at stake.

2. What does 2 Timothy 2:7-13 and Hebrews 10:36-38 say about our response to TRUTH?

3. In Hebrews 10:19-20 Who has opened the door and given us full access to God, our Father in heaven? (Also Romans 8:6-8; Hebrews 6:19-20; 9:11-12)

a. How? _____

b. Why? _____

4. In Hebrews 10:19-22 Who gives us the confidence and full assurance to be in God’s presence? (Also Hebrews 4:14-16; 10:9-10; Ephesians 3:10-12)

a. How? _____

a. Why? _____

5. In Hebrews 10:21 Who is over the house of God? (Also Hebrews 1:1-3; 2:17-18; 3:6)

a. How? _____

a. Why? _____

6. Looking at the answers from questions 3 through 5, who is the point of reference to put your motivation, confidence and full assurance in? What did He do for you personally? What is He doing right now? John 14:1-4; Galatians 1:3-5; Colossians 1:13-14, 19-23, 2:1-3

7. The Father's calling of each of us individually to Him by faith is a gift of grace from heaven (Eph. 2:8-9). When God implants the Gospel of Jesus Christ on a heart, faith takes root (Matthew 13:18-23). God gives us the faith to respond honorably to Him in three ways. Write down what you see from the Scriptures.

a. Matthew 11:28; Mark 1:14-15; Luke 15:11-19 _____

b. 1 Corinthians 15:1-5; Acts 2:29-36; Ephesians 1:13-14 _____

c. Matthew 16:24-25; John 8:31-32; 1 Timothy 3:15; 1 Peter 2:24-25; 2 Peter 1:2-4; Hebrews 6:9-12

8. Read Hebrews 10:22-25. Write down the command and what will motivate you to want to live it out daily.

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

9. How often do we concentrate more on our heavenly Father's "to do lists" more than His "motivation of hope"? Before your feet hit the floor running each morning, as a believer of Jesus Christ, what do you choose to focus on and have in your heart to motivate you for each day?

The next time you see a sister in Christ in crisis, how will you best be able to motivate them? Give a Scripture if you have one.

John Newton's Letters

Writer of the Song "Amazing Grace"

Seven letters to a Christian friend

Letter 1

March 18, 1767.

Dear friend,

I can truly say, that I bear you upon my heart and in my prayers. I have rejoiced to see the beginning of a good and gracious work in you; and I have confidence in the Lord Jesus, that he will carry it on and complete it; and that you will be among the number of those who shall sing of "redeeming love" to all eternity. Therefore fear none of the things appointed for you to suffer by the way—but gird up the loins of your mind, and hope to the end. Be not impatient—but wait humbly upon the Lord.

You have one hard lesson to learn, that is—the evil of your own heart. You know something of it—but it is needful that you should know more; for the more we know of ourselves, the more we shall prize and love Jesus and his salvation. I hope what you find in yourself by daily experience will humble you—but not discourage you. Humble you it should, and I believe it does. Are not you amazed sometimes that you should have so much as a hope, that, poor and needy as you are, the Lord thinks of you? But let not all you feel discourage you; for if our Physician is almighty, our disease cannot be desperate; and if he casts none out who come to him, why should you fear? Our sins are many—but his mercies are more. Our sins are great—but His righteousness is greater. We are weak—but he is power.

Most of our complaints are owing to unbelief, and the remainder of a legal spirit; and these evils are not removed in a day. Wait on the Lord, and he will enable you to see more and more of the power and grace of our High Priest. The more you know him—the better you will trust him. The more you trust him—the better you will love him. The more you love him—the better you will serve him. This is God's way. You are not called to *buy*—but to *beg*; not to be strong in yourself—but in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. He is teaching you these things, and I trust he will teach you to the end.

Remember, the growth of a believer is not like a mushroom—but like an oak, which increases slowly indeed—but surely. Many suns, showers, and frosts, pass upon it before it comes to perfection; and in winter, when it seems to be dead—it is gathering strength at the root. Be humble, watchful, and diligent in the means, and endeavor to look through all, and fix your eye upon Jesus—and all shall be well. I commend you to the care of the good Shepherd, and remain, for his sake.