

Let Us Hold Fast & Hold On to One Another, Conclusion

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What we have learned so far in our study ...

- The Theme of the Book Jesus is "Better" ...
- The Outline of the Book of Hebrews ...

A Better Person: Jesus (1-6)

A Better Priesthood: Jesus (7-10)

- 1) Because Jesus is a priest like Melchizedek chp. 7
- 2) Because Jesus provides a better covenant chp. 8
- 3) Because only Jesus cleanses our dirty conscience chps. 9-10

What Cleanses Our Conscience?

We have total <u>FORGIVENESS</u> by Christ's blood. (9:18-26) We have complete <u>SALVATION</u> at the return of Christ. (9:27-28) God chooses to <u>FORGET</u> our sin (10:1-18)

The Connection - 10:19 "Therefore ..."

The Challenges — 10:22-25 (3 Exhortations/Encouragements) "Let us ..."

Note ... These 3 exhortations in verses 22-25 (faith, hope, love) are an **INTRODUCTION** to the rest of the book of Hebrews (chapters 11-13).

I. First — "Let us draw near to God in full assurance of faith, ..." 10:22 = FAITH

II. Second - "Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering ... "10:23 = HOPE

What we are going to learn today in our study ...

Hebrews 10:24-25

III. Third — "Let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds ..." 10:24 = LOVE

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III. THIRD - LET US HOLD ON TO ONE ANOTHER vs. 24-25 = LOVE

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The Requirements (The Mandates) -3 Things

1) "consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, ..." v. 24

To "consider" means to **INTENTIONALLY** think in **ADVANCE** about what you are going to do.

What does it mean to "stimulate (provoke)" one another?

Why is "love and good deeds" what we need help with?

2) "not forsaking our own assembly together, as is the habit of some," v. 25a

What does the "assembly together" refer to? (Cf. 2 Thessalonians 2:1)

It is not those **<u>SPORADIC</u>** meetings that occur in our Christian life.

It certainly happens, to some degree, on <u>SUNDAY</u> mornings but it can't be <u>LIMITED</u> to corporate gathering.

It would include all the <u>OPPORTUNITIES</u> God has provided for you in your Church, through the pastors and elders, who care for your soul.

Why is the assembly referred to as a "habit"?

Note — A habit is not developed <u>OVERNIGHT</u> ... It takes <u>TIME</u>.

Why does he use the word "forsaking" when it comes to the assembly of believers together?

Note — This habit is called "forsaking" and refers to <u>ABANDONMENT</u>. (cf. Matthew 27:46)

3) "... but encouraging one another; ..." v. 25b

To "encourage" means to <u>COME ALONG SIDE</u>.

The Reason (The Motive) - "and all the more as you see the day drawing near." v. 25c