

## Hebrews 13:1-25

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### I. Introduction

#### II. Read Hebrews 13:1-6

- A. What is meant by “hospitality” and how can we show it today? (13:2)
- B. What’s the biblical reference of “entertaining angels”? (13:2)
- C. How are we called to “remember the tortured and imprisoned”? (13:3)
- D. What are ways to be “content” with what we have? (13:5-6)

#### III. Read Hebrews 13:7-8

- A. Who should be included among our “leaders”? (13:7)
- B. How can we “remember” those leaders? (13:2)

#### IV. Read Hebrews 13:9-16

- A. What does the author say about food regulations? (13:9)
- B. Why and how should we “bear the abuse [Jesus] endured”? (13:13-14)
- C. How should we worship? (13:15)

#### V. Read Hebrews 13:17-19

- A. Why should we “obey” and “submit to” our leaders? (13:17)
- B. How can we “obey” and “submit to” our leaders? (13:17)

#### VI. Read Hebrews 13:20-25

- A. What does the author mean in saying he has written “briefly”? (13:22)
- B. What is “grace,” and why is it the author’s concluding word? (13:25)

#### VII. Lessons

- A. Ethical exhortation was considered a good thing
- B. Being a Christian may not be easy
- C. Remember your leaders, and pray for them

#### VIII. Tying everything together

- A. Summarize Hebrews in one phrase
- B. What themes of the book have resonated with you and why?
- C. Which part of Hebrews is the most relevant to life in 2024?
- D. What will you take away from this study?

#### IX. Prayer

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Let mutual affection continue. <sup>2</sup>Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. <sup>3</sup>Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them, those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. <sup>4</sup>Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterers. <sup>5</sup>Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have, for he himself has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." <sup>6</sup>So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?"

<sup>7</sup>Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. <sup>8</sup>Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

<sup>9</sup>Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by regulations about food, which have not benefited those who observe them. <sup>10</sup>We have an altar from which those who officiate in the tent have no right to eat. <sup>11</sup>For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. <sup>12</sup>Therefore Jesus also suffered outside the city gate in order to sanctify the people by his own blood. <sup>13</sup>Let us then go to him outside the camp and bear the abuse he endured. <sup>14</sup>For here we have no lasting city, but we are looking for the city that is to come. <sup>15</sup>Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. <sup>16</sup>Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

<sup>17</sup>Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with sighing, for that would be harmful to you. <sup>18</sup>Pray for us; we are sure that we have a good conscience, desiring to act honorably in all things. <sup>19</sup>I urge you all the more to do this, so that I may be restored to you very soon.

<sup>20</sup>Now may the God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, <sup>21</sup>make you complete in everything good so that you may do his will, as he works among us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever. Amen.

<sup>22</sup>I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, bear with my word of exhortation, for I have written to you briefly. <sup>23</sup>I want you to know that our brother Timothy has been set free, and if he comes in time he will be with me when I see you. <sup>24</sup>Greet all your leaders and all the saints. Those from Italy send you greetings. <sup>25</sup>Grace be with all of you.