

## Hebrews - Jesus the Final Word: A New and Living Way

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Hebrews 10:1-39

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### Reflection & Discussion

#### **Because of Jesus, something is now possible that wasn't possible before**

Hebrews 10 we begin to see the realities we're invited to live in together.

\*What has helped you know how to live this life with God?

\*What things still have a strong hold on you or are forming you as you learn to trust God?

#### **Jesus has opened the way for us to actually live with God**

Read and discuss Hebrews 10:19-22 (NIV)

*<sup>19</sup> Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup> by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, <sup>21</sup> and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup> let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.*

\*What do these verses say we have to help us?

\*Is sincere confidence something you are typically able to have when you approach God?

\*Where do we tend to think we gain our confidence from in our spiritual life? What does this passage say about where it actually comes from?

\*What have you noticed about sincere confidence in your own life?

#### **We are invited to hold on to hope**

Read and discuss Hebrews 10:23 (NIV)

*<sup>23</sup> Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.*

\*What is distinctive about Christian hope? Why can we hold to it?

\*How does confidence in Jesus affect how you hope?

#### **The new and living way means something for how we relate to others**

Read and discuss Hebrews 10:24-25 (NIV)

*<sup>24</sup> And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup> not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.*

\*In light of these verses, how do we do this together?

\*What have you noticed about how others have helped you in this new and living way? How has what Jesus has done helped you relate to others?

#### **Hebrews is inviting us to live with Jesus**

Read and discuss Hebrews 10:24-25 (NIV)

*<sup>32</sup> Remember those earlier days after you had received the light, when you endured in a great conflict full of suffering. <sup>33</sup> Sometimes you were publicly exposed to insult and persecution; at other times you stood side by side with those who were so treated. <sup>34</sup> You suffered along with those in prison and joyfully accepted the confiscation*

*of your property, because you knew that you yourselves had better and lasting possessions. <sup>35</sup> So do not throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded.*

*<sup>36</sup> You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised.*

*<sup>37</sup> For,*

*“In just a little while,  
he who is coming will come  
and will not delay.”*

*<sup>38</sup> And,*

*“But my righteous one will live by faith.  
And I take no pleasure  
in the one who shrinks back.”*

*<sup>39</sup> But we do not belong to those who shrink back and are destroyed, but to those who have faith and are saved.*

\*How would you say the Holy Spirit is already forming this life of faith in you? Share about times you've been able to trust, ways you've seen his love on display?

\*How has your confidence been sustained? What reasons do you have to keep trusting?

\*What is the Spirit saying to you about living with Jesus right now?

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