### The Book of Hebrews



## Morning Devotions

Select a passage in God's Word. Talk with the Lord as you read the passage, then go back and find one or two verses that the Lord has impressed on your heart and meditate on them.

## Morning Study

This morning we study the eighth section of **Hebrews** - **10:19-39**. This section can be divided into three subsections.

#### Read Hebrews 10:19-25

- **⊃** How can we now have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place? (10:19).
- **⊃** Because of **10:19-21**, what should we now do? (**10:22**).
- ➡ What two articles of furniture in the Outer Court does the writer to the Hebrews allude to in 10:22?
- **○** Why should we "hold unswervingly to the hope we profess"? (10:23).
- **○** What should we consider doing? (10:24).
- **○** What had some believers been in the habit of doing? (10:25).
- **○** What is the dual purpose of meeting together that we find in **10:24-25**?

#### Read Hebrews 10:26-31

- ➡ What happens if a person *deliberately* continues sinning in a flagrant rejection of Christ?\* (10:26).
- **⇒** What expection is ahead for this kind of deliberate, willful sinner? (10:27).
- → How does 10:26-31 relate to 6:4-8?
- **○** What does the writer consider "a dreadful thing"? (10:30-31).

#### Read Hebrews 10:32-39

- **○** What does the writer ask his readers to remember? (10:32-34).
- **⊃** Because of all he has listed in **10:32-34**, what does the writer encourage his readers to do? (**10:35-36**).
- **⇒** "For in just a little while," what will happen? (10:37-38).
- **⇒** Who is the one that God is not pleased with? (10:38).
- → What are the two main categories of people from God's perspective? (10:39)
- Note that the writer is not simply talking about a Christian who sins, but rather about someone who rejects the truth of God's Word in a similar way to a person under the Old Covenant rejecting the Law of Moses. The writer regards this flagrant sinning as being as if the sinner had "trampled the Son of God under foot" and had "treated as unholy the blood of the covenant sanctified him" and had "insulted the Spirit of grace." This is an extreme kind of rejection of Christ.

# Memory Verse

Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hebrews 10:25

Here are a few suggestions that may help you to memorize your memory verse:

- Ask the Lord to help you remember his Word (see **John 14:26**).
- Use the version of the Bible you are most familiar with. What you normally read in your Bible is what you need to be memorizing.
- Don't just memorize the contents of the verse; memorize its "address" (the verse reference) as well. You can do this by following this pattern: Step 1: reference; Step 2: verse content; Step 3: reference. Then repeat steps 1-3. Note that you are quoting the reference twice as many times as you quote the actual verse content. This gives the verse a clear "reference tag."
- After you have read your memory verse out aloud several times, try going through your memory verse *without* reading your computer screen.
- Look up your memory verse in your Bible. Look at its immediate context and read the verses that come before and after your memory verse.
- Print out your memory verse or jot it down on a piece of paper. Take this paper with you when you go to work or do other daily activities. Meditate on the meaning of the verse throughout the day.
- During your noon appointment with the Lord, take out your memory verse and go over it again. Talk to the Lord about what this verse means to you personally.
- In the evening (at either your evening study or your evening devotions), see if you can quote your memory verse from memory. Then, without looking at the memory verse itself, see if you can find it in your Bible.
- The next day, before you begin committing a new verse to memory, rehearse your previous day's memory verse and see if you can remember it (without cheating!).
- Finally, at the end of the week (possibly on the Sunday), collect all your week's memory verses, rehearse them and see if you can recall them without reading them. Spend a little extra time on any verses you have difficulty recalling.
- Remember: Don't just memorize a verse. Put it into practice (James 1:22). It is not being able to quote a verse from memory that counts. It is His Word abiding in your heart that counts (John 15:7). When you actually apply a verse consistently to your daily life, that is when you truly know that verse!