

HEBREWS 9

1. What is “the sin that so easily entangles us”?

-A lack of belief in God.

2. How do we best overcome “the sin that so easily entangles us”?

-By fixing our eyes on the Lord Jesus.

3. For all people including Christians and non-Christians, what is our biggest struggle?

-Our struggle against sin.

4. Are non-Christians stronger than sin?

-No.

5. Are Christians stronger than sin?

-No.

6. Who alone is stronger than sin?

-God/Christ.

7. Why does God discipline His people?

-Because He does not want us to become full of sin.

-Because He wants the best for us.

-Because He loves us.

8. Does God give us troubles?

-No. God is perfect.

9. Does God allow us to have troubles?

-Yes.

10. Why does God allow us to have troubles?

-To teach us or to discipline us.

11. How can troubles be discipline from God?

-They help us to call on God when we are in trouble.

-They help us to repent when we sin.

-They keep us from wanting to sin even more.

-They teach us about God and His desire for us to be holy.

12. Although God disciplines His children, why will He never condemn us?

-Because we are in Christ.

13. What are Mount Sinai and Mount Zion pictures of?

-Mount Sinai is a picture of the holiness of God whom no one can approach because of our sinfulness.

-Mount Zion is a picture of joy that we have when we are reunited with God because of the death of Christ.

14. Why must we come to Mount Sinai first before we come to Mount Zion?

-We need to understand the holiness of God so that we understand that we cannot save ourselves so that we can run to Christ to be saved.

-This will be our last lesson in the book of Hebrews.

Let's read Hebrews 13:1-3

1-Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters.

2-Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.

3-Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering.

-At the end of this letter, God is encouraging us to love one another.

-While we may not have love for certain people, the Lord Jesus in us does.

-We must ask the Lord Jesus living in us to love others through us, and He will do so.

-When we show hospitality to strangers, we are showing hospitality to the Lord Jesus.

-In Matthew 25:35, the Lord Jesus said this:

-“For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in.”

-When we visit people in prison or help those who are

suffering, we are showing Christ to these people.

Let's read Hebrews 13:4-6

4-Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral.

5-Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, “Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.”

6-So we say with confidence, “The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?”

-God designed marriage to be only one man and only one woman living together.

-Marriage is a picture from God which teaches that just as a man and woman are committed to one another, God is committed to those who believe in Him.

-As Christians, we should be content not only because God will never leave us here on earth, but also because He has given us eternal life in heaven through Christ.

Let's read Hebrews 13:7-8

7-Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.

8-Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

-God has designed that elders should lead the church so that they would be a good example to the rest of us.

-Because God is perfect and He is God, He will never change, never not be God, and never not be perfect.

Let's read Hebrews 13:9-10

9-Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings. It is good for our hearts to be strengthened by grace, not by eating ceremonial foods, which is of no benefit to those who do so.

10-We have an altar from which those who minister at the tabernacle have no right to eat.

-There are many strange teachings in this world.

-This is why we must know well the teachings of God.

-Many religions teach that people are accepted by God because of what they eat or do not eat.

-Even God gave Israel some laws on eating which are found in the old covenant/agreement.

-However, in the new covenant which God has given, it is the grace of Christ alone that saves us, and not by what

we eat or do not eat.

-In Romans 14:17, we read this:

-“For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.”

-What is our “altar from which those who minister at the tabernacle have no right to eat”?

-It is the cross of Christ which has saved us from trying to please God by what we eat or do not eat.

-We can only be saved by Christ and not by what we eat or do not eat.

Let's read Hebrews 13:15-17

15-Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name.

16-And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

17-Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you.

-Because the sacrifice of Christ was perfect, the only “sacrifice” which God now requires is a sacrifice of praise as well as to do good to others.

-As Christians, we should submit to the authority of the leaders of the church except when the leaders are not following the Word of God.

Let’s read Hebrews 13:18-19

18-Pray for us. We are sure that we have a clear conscience and desire to live honorably in every way.

19-I particularly urge you to pray so that I may be restored to you soon.

-The one who wrote the letter to the Hebrews understood the power of prayer.

-The writer also was believing that prayer would cause him to be restored to those to whom he was writing.

Let’s read Hebrews 13:20-21

20-Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep,

21-equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

-After having asked for prayer, the writer now prays for all those who have read and will read these words.

-We are all like sheep, but the Lord Jesus is our great Shepherd.

-The Lord Jesus also equips us for doing His will as well as working in us to do that which pleases Him.

Let’s read Hebrews 13:22-23

22-Brothers and sisters, I urge you to bear with my word of exhortation, for in fact I have written to you quite briefly.

23-I want you to know that our brother Timothy has been released. If he arrives soon, I will come with him to see you.

-Even though this may be a short letter, it is full of the truths of God.

-Although we do not know the writer of this letter, we do know that he was a friend of Timothy.

Let’s read Hebrews 13:24-25

24-Greet all your leaders and all the Lord’s people. Those from Italy send you their greetings.

25-Grace be with you all.