

THE EPISTLE TO THE HEBREWS

Wednesday Nights Bible Studies

Saint Mary Coptic Orthodox Church of Colleyville

First Warning: Danger of _____ (2:1-4)

- How shall we _____ if we are unconcerned about so great a _____?
- The neglect that leads to drifting has _____.

Christ's Superiority to the Angels

- God has not _____ them with the administration of the _____ world.
- The ascension and the glory comes because of the _____.
- The reason for his incarnation and thus his humiliation, suffering, and death is in order that He might _____.

Jesus the Pioneer of Salvation (2:10-18)

- The human being finds _____ and _____ in covenant relationship with God.
- So, God, by means of Christ, became involved in _____.
- “_____” means to fulfill God's purpose for Jesus which is the heavenly, glorified, conquering Christ.
- We have _____. We are His brothers and family. It is the family formed by shared obedience and being made perfect by suffering.
- Thus Jesus is not ashamed to call us _____.
- We as humans live in _____ so the Lord _____.

Study Questions for Reflection and Discussion

These readings and study questions are in preparation for next week's lesson.

As you begin each day pray that the Lord would speak to you through his Holy Spirit as you open yourself to his word.

First Day: Read Hebrews 2:5-3:6.

1. Identify one or two new insights that caught your attention and seemed important to you. Tell why the idea seems significant.
2. Select a truth for which you see a particular personal application in your own life. Describe how it would apply to you.
3. Write a brief prayer asking God to help you follow the trail blazer, Christ, in the journey toward full obedience and fellowship with him.

Second Day: Read Hebrews 3:1-19. *Focus in on Hebrews 3:7-11.*

1. The focus verses mention events that took place at Meribah and Massah. Read Exodus 17:1-7 and Numbers 20:1-13. Describe the attitude of the Israelites at Meribah and Massah. Should or should they have not had that attitude? Why?
2. Hebrews 3:7-11 quote Psalm 95:7b-11. Read all of Psalm 95. What truths in Psalm 95:1-7 prepare you for the appeal of verses 7-11?

Third Day: Read Hebrews 3:1-19. *Focus on verses 12-19 now.*

1. What is the warning that the author sounds in these verses? In what ways does a similar danger exist today?
2. What responsibilities toward other believers do we have according to these verses? What are some ways in which we can carry out those responsibilities?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 10:16-22. What does that passage along with Hebrews 3:12-15 teach us about being partners of Christ?

Fourth Day: Read Hebrews 3:1-19. *Focus your attention again on verses 12-19.*

1. Summarize the overall message of Hebrews 3:12-19 in your own words. What is the single most important thought?
2. Verses 16-18 are based on Number 14:1-4, 34, 41. Read Numbers 13-14. What are the similarities and differences between the message of Numbers 13-14 and the message of Hebrews 3:12-19?
3. What are some areas of spiritual maturity that you have not yet entered? Is unbelief or disobedience a reason you have not entered these growth areas? Write a brief prayer asking God's help in making a spiritual break-through in these areas this year.

Fifth Day: Read Hebrews 3:7-4:11. *Now focus in on Hebrews 4:1-5.*

1. What do you think the author means when he speaks of "rest" in these verses?

2. What is the role of faith for entering that "rest?" Why is faith so important?

3. Are there some areas of your life in which you have not learned to rest in God? What do you need to do to begin to learn that kind of rest?

Sixth Day: Read Hebrews 3:12-4:11. *Focus on Hebrews 4:6-11.*

1. What is the reason the writer of Hebrews gives for those who do not enter the "rest?"
2. The writer compares the "rest" of faith to the Sabbath rest of God following creation. What would a Sabbath rest mean for you? What adjustments in your schedule would you need to make to have a Sabbath rest?
3. Write a prayer describing your desire to rest your faith in Christ and Christ alone.

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FOCUS VERSE

"Today, if you will hear His voice. Do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion." Psalm 95: 7,8

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