

Hebrews

Chapter 12-13

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OPEN:

Who was your favorite teacher when you were in school? Why was that person your favorite?

REVIEW:

What is the situation with the people to whom the author of Hebrews is writing?

How does the author deal with this situation in chapters 1-2?

In chapters 3-4?

In chapters 5-9?

In chapter 10?

In chapter 11?

STUDY:

Read Hebrews 12:1-13. What does the author say in the first part of verse 1, and what does this mean?

What are we to do, according to verse 1?
Who are we to look to for encouragement?
How does his example encourage us?

What does the author of Hebrews see the trials of the people as being?

Why do we receive such trials?

Read Hebrews 12:14-17. What are we called to do, in verse 14?

What are we to avoid, in v.15?

How does Esau's story relate to what is happening with the people for whom Hebrews was written?

Read Hebrews 12:18-24. What is being contrasted?

What are the contrasts?

How does the blood of Jesus speak a better word than the blood of Abel?

Read Hebrews 12:25-29. What does the author warn against?
What is the difference between earthly kingdoms and the heavenly kingdom?

How then are we to live?

Read Hebrews 13:1-19. What practical admonitions are given at the beginning of this passage?

What does the author mean that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever?

How is Jesus our example, according to vv. 11-13?

What does the author urge in v 17?
...in v.18?
How do the two go together?

Read Hebrews 13:20-25. How does the benediction in vv.20-22 sum up the major teachings of the book?

REFLECT

What is one teaching you will remember from the book of Hebrews?