

## **Sermon Questions**

### **Hebrews 12:14-29**

This week we discussed the godly choices we can make to ensure that we will endure to the finish line. Pursuing peace with others and growing in holiness work together to strengthen us. First, we demonstrate the love of Christ for others as we continue to grow in our holiness as we continue to become imitators of Christ. Once we have a love for others there comes a desire to see others fully receive the grace of God. Understanding the difference of repentance vs. regret becomes an imperative. Next, we must embrace the New Covenant and hold fast to the Word of God. Finally, our reverence and awe of God result in thankfulness. These choices will help keep us in line and motivate us to grow in the grace of God. May you make choices to honor God and stay the course all the way to the finish until you hear the words, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Here are some notes to review from this week's sermon...

### **Godly Choices to Endure**

#### **Hebrews 12:14-29**

#### **Pursue peace and holiness (14)**

#### **Desire the fullness of grace in others (15-17)**

##### **REPENTANCE**

1. Full ownership...It's me!
2. I'm letting God change me for sure
3. I don't care who knows
4. I'm pursuing God
5. I don't deserve God's grace and goodness but I'm thankful

##### **REGRET**

1. It's NOT totally MY fault
2. I'm trying to change...I've made some progress
3. My life is my private business...stay out
4. I'm working on my brokenness
5. Why won't God bless me?I deserve it. I'm upset

#### **Embrace the New Covenant (18-24)**

#### **Refuse to reject God's Word (26-27)**

#### **Show gratitude, reverence and awe (28-29)**

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it [HERE](#). After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group now is a great time to get involved. Please email [info@bravechurch.online](mailto:info@bravechurch.online) and we will get you connected with a community that will work for you.

## Questions

1. What makes it possible for us to have peace with God (Romans 5:1)? What does it mean to pursue peace with other people? Read Romans 12:18 and Ephesians 4:3. What is our role in peacemaking? How can you grow in bringing peace to a situation?
2. What does it mean to grow in holiness? If we are already positionally holy and will ultimately experience holiness, then why do we need to grow in holiness now? How does being a peacemaker grow your holiness? How does your growth in holiness help your peacemaking skills?
3. Why is it NOT possible for a Christian to live in unforgiveness? How is unforgiveness distinctly unchristian? Is there anyone you need to forgive?
4. What does it mean to come short of the grace of God? What is the tragedy of apostasy? Why should we desire to see the grace of God in others? Why is a root of bitterness NOT from the Lord?
5. How was Esau godless and immoral? Why would he sell his birthright for a bowl of soup? What does it mean that he was not repentant?
6. Read 2 Corinthians 7:10. What is the difference between repentance and regret? What does repentance look like? Who needs to repent? What does regret look like? Why does God desire repentance and not regret? Why is it that some preachers and churches refuse to preach repentance? What difference does it make when we call people to repentance?
7. What does it mean to embrace the New Covenant? How does the Covenant of Law differ from the Covenant of Grace? What is the difference between the blood of an animal covering sin and the blood of Christ cleansing us from sin?
8. Why is the New Covenant preferable? Read Colossians 1:26-27. What is the blessing of Christ in you? How is this different from any other dispensation?
9. Read Isaiah 40:8, Luke 9:26 and 2 Timothy 4:2. Why must you refuse to reject God's Word? Why must we reject false teachers that twist the Word or say that it's not true? Why is it important to believe and apply the authoritative Word of God?
10. Read Revelation 4 and 5. Why should we make a choice to show gratitude to the Lord? Reverence to the Lord? Awe of the Lord? How can you give the Lord thanks today?
11. What is your greatest take-away from this week's message? What do you need to apply right now?