

HEBREWS

JESUS IS BETTER

Don't settle for less

WEEK 28

READ

- Read Hebrews 13 through a few times this week.
- Write here what you think is the main idea the author wishes to communicate in 13:7-16:

EXAMINE

- The opening of Hebrews 13 calls the church to a life of obedience under God's rule, particularly in their relationships to one another. As you look through 13:7-16, identify all the commands and record them here:
- Leaders are a vital part of the church's life and growth. What are the responsibilities of leaders according to 13:7? What are the responsibilities of church members toward their leaders?
- 13:8 communicates the truth about Jesus Christ and the message of the leaders. What do you learn about the Lord Jesus in this verse?
- 13:8 is the bridge between verse 7 (about leaders) and verse 9. If Jesus Christ is the message we must heed, what types of messages are we commanded to avoid? What seemed to be a tempting message for the Jews in this passage?
- 13:10-12 communicate the true message about Jesus by declaring His atonement as supreme over the Day of Atonement offerings (13:11; Lev. 16:27). What did Jesus endure and accomplish (13:12) and how is this sufficient for sinners?
- "Therefore" (13:13-16) connects the message of Jesus to commands for everyday life. What are followers of Jesus commanded to remember and do in these verses?

APPLY

- Who are the leaders (past and present) who have taught you and modeled obedience to Christ? How might you practically "remember" them?
- How does the truth that Jesus is the same and unchanging encourage and stabilize you in your endurance and obedience?
- What "diverse and strange" teachings confront our church today? What particularly are you drawn to that's designed to pull you away from Christ? How does the message of Christ's atonement for your sin help you to discern false teaching from grace teaching?

PRAY

- Thank God for leaders who help us follow Christ by their message and life.
- Confess any known sins to the Lord, asking for help from the Holy Spirit to see your sins accurately and to see the Lord Jesus clearly as your unchanging Savior.
- Plead for grace and obedience to identify with Jesus among your family members, in your work and in every place you go.