

Praise: Start your time in worship together as a family by following the order of service posted by Westview.

Pray: Ask the Lord for his will to be done, both in your life and in this world. Ask Holy Spirit to reveal to you the truth

Review: Last week we spent time in James learning about active faith, have you thought more or acted on that lesson? How did reading Hebrews go?

Watch: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1fNWTZZwgbs>

Read: Hebrews 10:19-25

Questions/Discussion:

- **From examining verses 19-22, what did Jesus' death do for His followers?**
 - *Answer:* He opened the door for believers to draw near to God by the blood of Jesus.
- **From verse 23, what are some practical ways a person can hold on to hope in Christ daily?**
 - Answers will vary. We can spend time with God. We can set our minds and hearts on Him. We can learn to trust Him over the things of this world.
- **Also looking at the trustworthiness of God in verse 23, what are some factors that could cause a person to have "trust issues" with God?**
 - Answers will vary. Students who have experienced a death of a loved one, relationship trauma, economic struggles, bullying, or other painful situations may struggle more than other students with trusting even Jesus Christ to be reliable in their lives.
- **In verse 24, God challenges us to think of ways to motivate one another to action in showing love to others. Who or what have you seen or heard that motivates you to action in your faith?**
 - Answers will vary.
- **In verse 25 we are challenged to stay consistent in meeting with other Christ-followers. What are some things getting in the way of that for you and your peers?**

Answers will vary.

Emphasize the sacrifice Christ made for everyone and how that should be motivation in itself to live life for Him instead of oneself. God established the church to provide a place for Christ-followers to be encouraged and spurred on in their faith.:

- **What are some of the benefits of connecting with church and youth group meetings consistently?**
 - Answers will vary.
- **Is it easier to live out the Christian life when you regularly connect and learn with fellow believers? Why?**
 - *Answer:* The answer should be "yes." When we meet together, we're able to encourage and lift-up one another. We're able bear one another burdens.

THEN, read or have as student read Romans 15:5-7. Ask something like:

- **What is the goal or purpose of Christian unity?**
 - *Answer:* To glorify God and bring Him praise.
- **What is the only true source of this type of unity?**
 - *Answer:* It comes from God.
- **Why is Christian unity so important? What is problem with disunity amongst believers?**
 - *Answer:* Unity reflects the nature of God, while disunity does the opposite.
- **How does Christ empower us to move past the obstacles to unity we experience?**
 - *Answer:* He levels the playing field. We are all just as desperate for a savior as the next person. We all need just as much grace. When we realize this, it helps us see that we have much more in common with others than we want to think.
- **You may feel isolated in your faith at school and other places. There is a way to overcome. You've seen the blueprint in this lesson. Realize the power that is available to you through encouragement from other Christian students. Harness the unity and encouragement God is guiding you to in the scriptures. Let God change your perspective.**
- **What are some practical ways you all can encourage each other to be more unified?**
 - Answers will vary.
- **What is something you will commit to do this week to build someone up and encourage them in their walk with Christ?**
 - Answers will vary.

Conclusion/ Challenge: Encourage or build up someone! Next week we are looking at 1 John, it is 5 very short chapters, I bet you could read it all in just 15 minutes!