

# Life Experienced

Heb 13

## 1. Intro

1. A summation of previous chapters.

## 2. Life In Christ

1. Brotherly love (1)
  1. The mark of a true disciple (John 13:35)
  2. We share the life of Christ.
2. Hospitality (2)
  1. To those that we don't know
    1. Jesus said, "Freely you have received, freely give" (Mt 10:8)
    2. Fear of being taken advantage of may hinder us.
  2. May entertain angels – testing?
    1. Abraham (Gen 18), Gideon (Judg 6) and Manoah (Judg 13).
3. Compassion (3)
  1. Do we share in the hurts and sorrows of those less fortunate than us?
  2. What is preventing me from being in the same situation?
4. Honour marriage (4)
  1. Marriage is God-given and honourable.
    1. Don't step outside the bonds – pain, hurt and guilt are consequences.
      1. This is judgment
  2. Break down in marriage and family will affect our society.
5. Be satisfied (5)
  1. He will provide the necessities of life.
  2. Love of money is replacing faith in God.
    1. Cannot love God and money (Matt 6:24; I Tim 6:9)

## 3. Life In the Church

1. Follow the example of our spiritual leaders. (7, 17)
  1. Elder-ship is to watch over souls
  2. Are accountable for what they teach
  3. Works two ways; from leaders to congregation and from congregation to leaders (17)
2. All this based on the consistency of Jesus. (8)
  1. Always the same – yesterday, today and forever
    1. Be careful of new ideas – today and forever
3. God's grace overrules works (10)
  1. Again OT covenant is brought up.
  2. Day of atonement took place outside the camp (Lev 1:20-28)
    1. Two goats: sin sacrifice & Scapegoat

3. Jesus suffered “outside the camp” (12)

1. He was sacrificed for our sin; He took that sin and drove it back upon it's demonic author.

4. We are called to suffer with Him.

5. We, like Abraham, are looking for a home that is to come. (14)

4. Our praise of Him and allegiance to Him is the sacrifice He wants. (15)

#### 4. Conclusion

1. Brings his writing to a conclusion with a benediction.

2. Our Shepherd was raised from the dead and brought into place an eternal covenant for us.

1. A summation of his writing.

3. He can equip us to do His will. Our work.

4. He will produce in us that which is pleasing to Him. Our Character.

5. Finally, “Pay attention.” (22)