MEMORY VERSE OF THE WEEK: Hebrews 12:1-2

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.



MY NOTES

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MONDAY, JUNE 27

Read Hebrews 7—Forever There for You

- 1. How is Jesus both king and priest like Melchizedek?
- Jesus became our High Priest not by the law, "but by the power of an indestructible life." (v16)? What does "indestructible life" refer to in Jesus' life?
- The Levitical priests sacrificed animals, but Jesus offered h______ The Levitical priests were a temporary solution for offering forgiveness, but Jesus is f______.
- **Prayer:** Jesus, through Your resurrection You rule now and forever. Keep me by Your side now and forever.

TUESDAY, JUNE 28

Read Hebrews 8—Better Covenant

- 1. How is Jesus' guarantee of the new covenant better than the old covenant? Go back and also re-read 7:20-28.
- 2. Would we have behaved any differently than the Israelites during the 40 years in the desert? Would we have flourished under this first covenant of law?
- 3. Did God always plan on having another covenant? How do we know?
- **Prayer**: Father, thank You for making a second covenant with us that relies not on us but on the shedding of Jesus' blood for us.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29

Read Hebrews 9—Blood Shed In Payment for Sin

- 1. The old sacrificial sin-forgiveness system was repetitive, imperfect and incomplete. How would this preached sermon have encouraged early Christians to not turn back to Judaism?
- 2. What is conscience? What does a conscience do? Can our conscience be changed by our environment? Can anything but faith in Christ perfectly clear our conscience?
- 3. For what reason is Christ the mediator or high priest of a new covenant?
- Prayer: Lord, let me partake in the forgiveness that is in the completion and perfection and foreverness of Jesus' shed blood.

THURSDAY, JUNE 30

Read Hebrews 10—Atoning Sacrifice Once for All

- Why was bloodshed an integral part of the sacrificial system God established for Israel? Why did Jesus have to shed His blood to save us from our sin?
- 2. The blood and death of Jesus on the cross tore open the curtain for all to enter the Most Holy Place. What does that mean for us today (v19)?
- 3. Now that we have the perfect High Priest working for us in heaven, the preacher encourages us in our earthly Christian life. Find three "let us" exhortations in v19-25.
- **Prayer:** Lord, let us draw near to You with a true heart in full assurance of faith.

FRIDAY, JULY 1

Read Hebrews 11—Assurance of Things Hoped For

- "Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen" gave great comfort to my father as trouble of his and my mom's health and isolation problems mounted. Why is this passage comforting?
- 2. Choose one of the saints mentioned in this chapter who held onto a divine promise that was not visible. Which gives you the greatest encouragement? Why?
- 3. Faith is a unique Christian religious construct. Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism are not faiths; they are religions based on works and self. Can faith stand alone by itself as something good or does it need an object? In what do we put our faith?
- **Prayer:** Lord, let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering for He who promised is faithful.

SATURDAY, JULY 2

Read Hebrews 12—Faithful Jesus

- As we are weighed down by trouble, as we are wearied and want to give up doing good, as we sit ashamed of things we have done, who can we turn to for guidance and love?
- 2. What acceptable services can you offer to God that are mentioned in this chapter?
- 3. Is Jesus in His kingly reign today? Is Jesus available to you now as High Priest? Can we approach God's altar of grace today with Jesus by our side? Does this sound like Sunday worship service?
- **Prayer**: Lord, let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works.

** Note: Some questions taken from Wayne Palmer CPH