Welcome To Open Bible Hour

Thank you for joining us on this Lord's Day!

Our desire is that you may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ as we pursue an indepth study of the book of Hebrews.

If you have a prayer request, for which you would like us to pray, please fill out a prayer sheet at the back table and give to Lyle.

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"DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS"

Heb. 3:7-11

Dec. 23, 2012

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2 Peter 1:21

21 for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Ps 95:7-11

- 7.... Today, if you would hear His voice,
- 8 Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,
- As in the day of Massah in the wilderness,
- 9 "When your fathers tested Me,
- They tried Me, though they had seen My work.
- 10 "For forty years I loathed that generation,
- And said they are a people who err in their heart,
- And they do not know My ways.
- 11 "Therefore I swore in My anger,
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2 Cor 6:2

2 for He says,

Behold, now is "THE ACCEPTABLE TIME," behold, now is "THE DAY OF SALVATION"

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Num 11:1-9

1 Now the people became like those who complain of adversity in the hearing of the Lord; and when the Lord heard it, His anger was kindled, and the fire of the Lord burned among them and consumed some of the outskirts of the camp.

*3 things that strike against the sovereignty of God:

- 1. Calling that which happens "luck" or "chance".
- 2. Believing in superstition, astrology, or humanism.
- 3. Complaining about my circumstances.

Rom 8:28

28 And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.

- 2 The people therefore cried out to Moses, and Moses prayed to the Lord and the fire died out.
- 3 So the name of that place was called Taberah, because the fire of the Lord burned among them.
- 4 The rabble who were among them had greedy desires; and also the sons of Israel wept again and said, "Who will give us meat to eat?
- 5 "We remember the fish which we used to eat free in Egypt, the cucumbers and the melons and the leeks and the onion and the garlic,
 - *How quickly we forget the bad things of our "B.C." days.

6 but now our appetite is gone. There is nothing at all to look at except this manna."

Hab 3:17-18

- 17 Though the fig tree should not blossom
- And there be no fruit on the vines,
- Though the yield of the olive should fail
- And the fields produce no food,
- Though the flock should be cut off from the fold
- And there be no cattle in the stalls,
- 18 Yet I will exult in the Lord,
- I will rejoice in the God of my salvation.

Job 13:15

15 Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him.

- 7 Now the manna was like coriander seed, and its appearance like that of bdellium.
- 8 The people would go about and gather it and grind it between two millstones or beat it in the mortar, and boil it in the pot and make cakes with it; and its taste was as the taste of cakes baked with oil.
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 - *Manna is physical food from God just like the Word is spiritual food from God, and believers can often complain about its blandness.

Isa 28:10

- 10 'Order on order, order on order,
- Line on line, line on line,
- A little here, a little there.'"

Ex 17:1-7

- 1 Then all the congregation of the sons of Israel journeyed by stages from the wilderness of Sin, according to the command of the Lord, and camped at Rephidim, and there was no water for the people to drink.
- 2 Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water that we may drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?"
- 3 But the people thirsted there for water; and they grumbled against Moses and said, "Why, now, have you brought us up from Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?"
- 4 So Moses cried out to the Lord, saying, "What shall I do to this people? A little more and they will stone me."
- 5 Then the Lord said to Moses, "Pass before the people and take with you some of the elders of Israel; and take in your hand your staff with which you struck the Nile, and go.
- 6 "Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb; and you shall strike the rock, and water will come out of it, that the people may drink." And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel.
- 7 He named the place Massah and Meribah because of the quarrel of the sons of Israel, and because they tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us, or not?"
- Is God real or not?
- Does God exist or doesn't He?
- Does God really care or doesn't He?
- Is God watching or is He taking a nap?

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Application

- 1. If a person stands on the doorstep long enough and does not enter into the house by faith, they will build up hardness, callousness to the call of God in their lives. A very dangerous place to be.
- "Show me and I'll believe (man says)."
- "Believe and I'll show you (God says)."
- 2. Therefore <u>today</u>, before you become hard and calloused in your heart, you need to come to Christ.
- 3. You don't want to find yourself in a position where God says "Today is over, it is now tomorrow. You've moved past your opportunity that I gave you. You will never see salvation."

Gen 6:3

3 Then the Lord said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever,