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 in-depth 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.



"THE FAITH - REST LIFE AND THE WORD OF GOD"

Heb. 4:8-13

Jan. 20, 2013

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Protestant
Worldwide
Founded May 21, 1863
Battle Creek, MI

Founders: Joseph Bates
James White
Ellen G White
J.N. Andrews

17.2 million members 71,048 churches

Beliefs:

- 1. Observe the Sabbath from sundown Friday to sundown Saturday.
- 2. Annihilationism.
- 3. Soul sleep.
- 4. Observance to dietary laws of Lev. 11.
- 5. Adventists avoid coffee, tea, cola, and other beverages containing caffeine.
- 6. Other legalistic tendencies.

Col 2:16-17

- 16 Therefore no one is to act as your judge in regard to food or drink or in respect to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath day —
- 17 things which are a mere shadow of what is to come; but the substance belongs to Christ.

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Heb 3:12-13

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Joints Marrow

Thoughts Intentions

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The deceitfulness of the sin of unbelief tells us:

- 1. You won't get the job unless you lie on your job application.
- 2. You won't have enough money to pay your income taxes unless you report inflated expenses.
- 3. There is no hope for your marriage, you will have to divorce.
- 4. You won't be able to take care of the baby, so you must have an abortion.
- 5. You will never pass the test unless you cheat.
- 6. You will never be accepted by the other kids unless you compromise your morals.
- 7. You could never become a Christian because you could never accept all that the Bible says.
- 8. You could never become an overseas global partner because you could never live in a foreign country.
- 9. You could never increase your financial giving to the Lord's work because you wouldn't have enough money to pay the bills.
- 10. Your co-worker is too skeptical and would never become a Christian. You've stopped witnessing to him.

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Application

- 1. Unbelief never goes undetected.
- 2. Daily we need to fight unbelief in the promises of God.
- 3. Unbelief will keep you from God's rest.
- 4. The Word of God slices its way down deep, exposing our unbelief. Are we trusting God's promises or aren't we?
- 5. In the journey of life, if the believer will rest in God, God will sustain, protect, and bless the believer who is growing. God always wills the highest and best for the believer.