



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.

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**“THE GRACE LIFE”
PART I**

Hebrews 13:1-8

May 11, 2014

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12 Admonitions To Jump Start Your Christian Life

1. "Let love of the brethren continue"

Rom 5:5

5 and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

1 Peter 1:22

22 Since you have in obedience to the truth purified your souls for a sincere love of the brethren, fervently love one another from the heart,

1 John 5:1,2

1 Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and whoever loves the Father loves the child born of Him.

2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and observe His commandments.

Rom 12:10

10 Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor;

John 13:34

34 "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another.

1 John 3:14

14 We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brethren.

Love God and everybody else, and do what you want.

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1 Tim 3:2

2 An overseer, then, must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, temperate, prudent, respectable, hospitable,

Titus 1:7-8

7 For the overseer must be above reproach as God's steward, not self-willed, not quick-tempered, not addicted to wine, not pugnacious, not fond of sordid gain,

8 but hospitable,

1 Tim 5:9-10

9 A widow is to be put on the list only if she is not less than sixty years old, having been the wife of one man,

10 having a reputation for good works; and if she has brought up children, if she has shown hospitality to strangers,

Matt 25:42-43

42 for I was hungry, and you gave Me nothing to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me nothing to drink;

43 I was a stranger, and you did not invite Me in; naked, and you did not clothe Me; '

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Col 4:18

18 I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. Remember my imprisonment.

1 Cor 12:26

26 And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it;

Gal 6:2

2 Bear one another's burdens, and thereby fulfill the law of Christ.

3 ways you can remember the prisoners and the persecuted:

1. Feel deep compassion for them; put yourself in their situation.
2. Remember them in your prayers.
3. Remember them with a visit or aid for their relief. God's Word teaches us to sympathize with all the oppressed and the suffering.

4. *“Marriage is to be held in honor by all”*

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Matt 19:4-6

4"Have you not read that He who created them from the beginning MADE THEM MALE AND FEMALE,

5 and said, 'FOR THIS REASON A MAN SHALL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND MOTHER AND BE JOINED TO HIS WIFE, AND THE TWO SHALL BECOME ONE FLESH'?

6 "So they are no longer two, but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let no man separate."

1 Tim 4:3

3 men who forbid marriage and advocate abstaining from foods which God has created to be gratefully shared in by those who believe and know the truth.

3 things in our society that are dishonoring marriage today:

1. The homosexual movement.
2. Our immoral and promiscuous culture (fornication, adultery, sensuality, licentiousness).
3. Rampant divorce.

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Ps 62:10

If riches increase, do not set your heart upon them.

Job 31:24,28

24 "If I have put my confidence in gold,

And called fine gold my trust,

28 That too would have been an iniquity calling for judgment,

For I would have denied God above.

Prov 15:16

6 Better is a little with the fear of the Lord
Than great treasure and turmoil with it.

Ecc1 5:10

10 He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves
abundance with its income.

1 Tim 6:7-10

7 For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out
of it either.

8 If we have food and covering, with these we shall be content.

9 But those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a snare and many
foolish and harmful desires which plunge men into ruin and destruction.

10 For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it
have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many
griefs.

Ps 37:25

25 I have been young and now I am old,
Yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken
Or his descendants begging bread.

Prov 30:8-9

8 Keep deception and lies far from me,
Give me neither poverty nor riches;
Feed me with the food that is my portion,
9 That I not be full and deny You and say, "Who is the Lord?"
Or that I not be in want and steal,
And profane the name of my God.

John 10:10

10 "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

1 Sam 2:7

"The Lord makes poor and rich;

Matt 6:33

33 "But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

If a man has everything, and has not Christ, he has nothing. If he has nothing, but has Christ, he has everything.

6. “Remember those who led you,”

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2 Thess 3:7-9

7 For you yourselves know how you ought to follow our example, because we did not act in an undisciplined manner among you,

8 nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with labor and hardship we kept working night and day so that we would not be a burden to any of you;

9 not because we do not have the right to this, but in order to offer ourselves as a model for you, so that you would follow our example.

2 things to remember . . .

1. If you are going to imitate another believer, be sure they are imitating God.
2. Look at their lives carefully and observe not only their conduct but the impact of their life on others and on the world.

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 2. Without the immutability of Christ, you would have absolutely no stability to your Christian life.
 3. Jesus Christ never changes in His person (attributes) but His program changes.
 4. We are to imitate Christ by being steadfast, consistent in our character and conduct.