

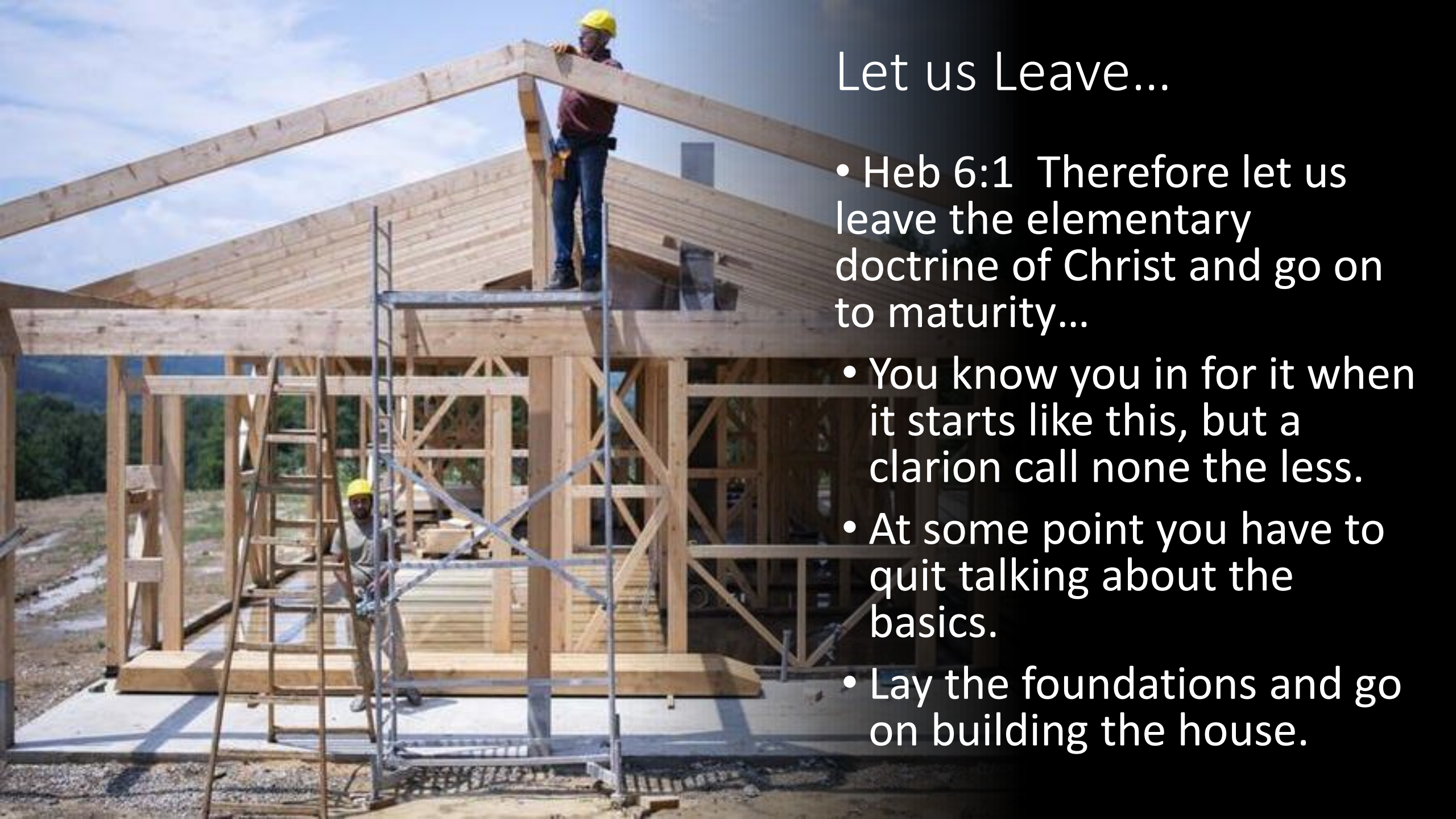
A still life scene with a lit candle, a chalice, a scroll, and a book. The scene is dimly lit, with the candle providing the primary light source. The candle is in a small metal holder. To the right is a golden chalice with intricate designs. In the foreground, a scroll is unrolled, showing handwritten text. A pair of glasses and a quill pen are also visible on the scroll. In the background, a book is partially visible.

# A Study In Hebrews

- Gifts versus Grace and The Certainty Of God's Promise
- Hebrews 6 Part 1

# Quick Review

- We should take the Word's of Jesus over all things because **Jesus > All**. (Heb.1)
- We should not neglect the salvation of Christ because **Jesus > Death** (Heb.2)
- We should exhort one another for Christ's sake, for the Gospel, this is why we have come because **Gospel > Slavery** (Heb.3)
- Word of God is sharper than any sword penetrating all parts of us, because the **Word > Ourselves**
- We are Priests and should follow our High Priest Jesus Christ because **Our High Priest > All Apostasy**

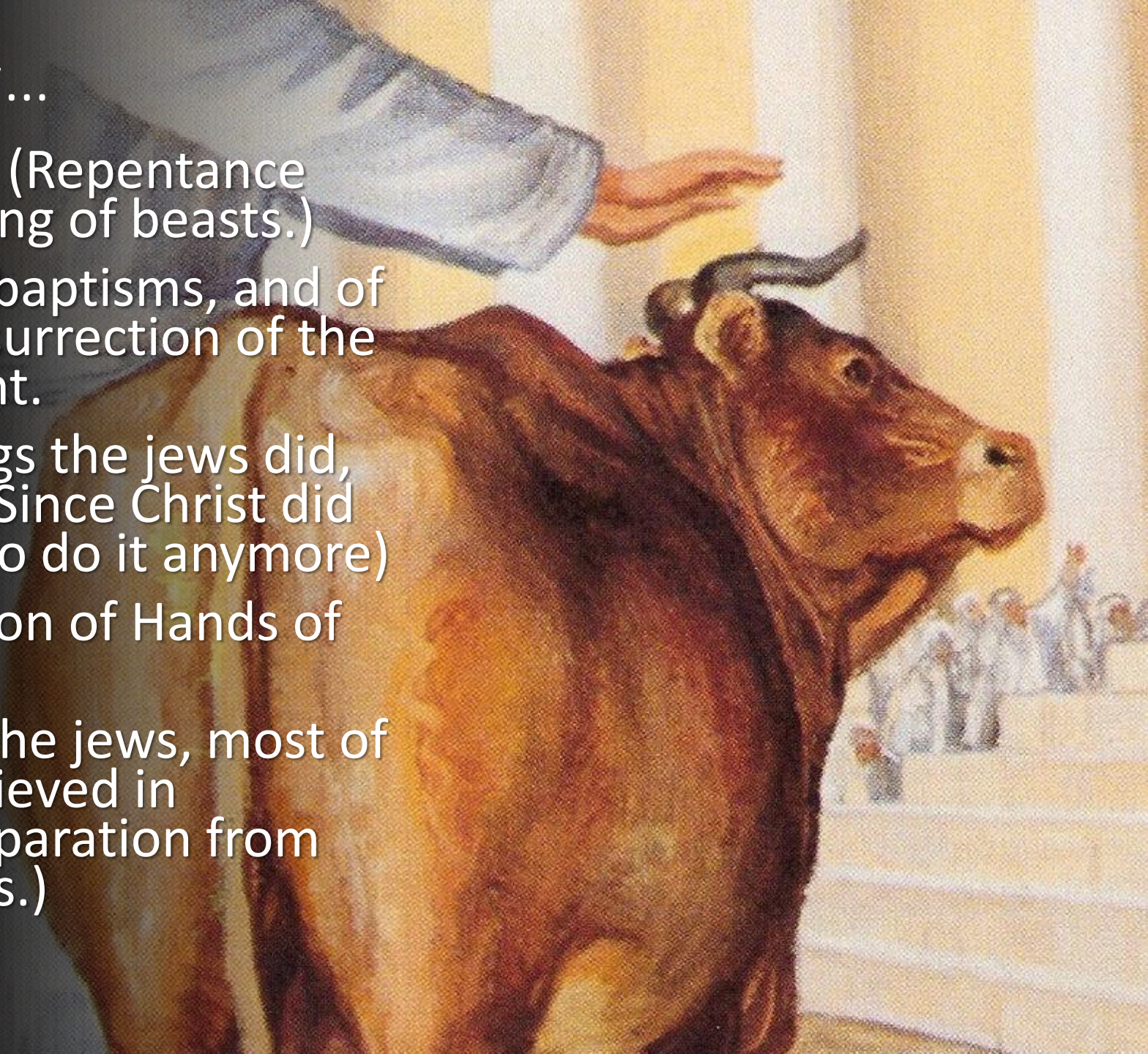


## Let us Leave...

- Heb 6:1 Therefore let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity...
- You know you in for it when it starts like this, but a clarion call none the less.
- At some point you have to quit talking about the basics.
- Lay the foundations and go on building the house.

Basic stuff, like you know...

- Repentance of Dead Works (Repentance gained through the sacrificing of beasts.)
- Heb 6:2 Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.
- Baptism (Myriad of washings the jews did, hands, feet, ablutions, etc. Since Christ did this once there is no need to do it anymore)
- Laying on of Hands (Laying on of Hands of the sacrifice like the bulls)
- Resurrection of the dead (The jews, most of the save the Sadducees believed in resurrection and eternal separation from God. No need to rehash this.)



Heb 6:3 And this will we do, if  
God permit.

Leave these now antiquated rites  
and ceremonies for a better way. A  
way paid for by Christ our High  
Priest.

# Introducing Group 1

2 basic types of people in Hebrews 6... this is group 1.

Heb 6:4-6 For *it is* impossible for those who were **once enlightened**, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, (5) And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, (6) If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put *him* to an open shame.

...such are meant, who are so enlightened as to see the evil effects of sin, but not the evil that is in sin; to see the good things which come by Christ, but not the goodness that is in Christ; so as to reform externally, but not to be sanctified internally; to have knowledge of the Gospel doctrinally, but not experimentally; yea, to have such light into it, as to be able to preach it to others, and yet be destitute of the grace of God: -John Gill-

Verse	Gift	Can a Lost person Experience this?
6:4b	Tasting of the Heavenly Gift- faith, justifying righteousness, pardon of sin and eternal life. All those things true believers experience by Grace.	Not is a real sense but they can hypocritically seduce themselves and others into believing some speculative notion about them.
6:4b	Partaker in the Holy Spirit- not in His person or His Grace, like being united with Him by His quickening. Not by communion whereby we produce fruit. Comforter, adoption etc.	Actually, perform His gifts like Matt 7:22 “Many will say... prophesied, cast out demons, done many wonderful works?” Depart from me I never knew you... Being able to perform or even mimic a “gifting” of the spirit does not demonstrate regeneration.
6:5a	Tasted of the Good Word of God- The good word spoken by the apostles and teachers of the 1 century and by the Bible today.	Many people read the bible and find it to be a good source book of knowledge and spiritual comfort but have never found salavation.
6:5b	Power of the World to Come- The Church, the eternal state etc.	Many believe in the Church, many believe in life after and many believe in Heaven in fact, but yet have never actually been adopted into His family.



## Fall away...

- Remember it is impossible... (vs.4a) ,but for the sake of argument...
- Heb 6:6 and then have fallen away, to restore them again to repentance, since they are crucifying once again the Son of God to their own harm and holding him up to contempt.
- Fallen away- Greek to apostatize (renounce a religious or political belief or principle.)
- Impossible to restore the again to repentance?
  - If lost- never had it so no restoring required.
  - If save- never lost it so so again no restoring required except to usefulness (Galatians 6:1)
- Impossible to crucify Christ again.





• Heb 6:7-8 For land that has drunk the rain that often falls on it, and produces a crop useful to those for whose sake it is cultivated, receives a blessing from God. (8) But if it bears thorns and thistles, it is worthless and near to being cursed, and its end is to be burned.



A still life scene with a lit candle, a chalice, a quill, and an open book. The scene is dimly lit, with the candle providing the primary light source. The background is dark and textured, possibly a wall or a large book cover. The foreground features a wooden surface with various objects: a lit candle in a small holder, a chalice with a blue and gold patterned cup, a quill pen, and an open book with handwritten text. The overall mood is contemplative and scholarly.

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