## The Let Us Church Hebrews 12:28-13:15 Extended Edition

- We should be grateful because we have received a great gift. •
- God has given an unshakeable kingdom to us. •
  - We are to receive it as a gift.
- We should respond to this gift with worship. •
- Our response should be characterized by holy fear (reverence). •
  - Our response should be characterized by appropriate awe.
- This awe is taking hold of what God calls good; it is a holy caution. •
  - This awe and reverence helps us to worship in a way that treats God as precious.
- We should continue loving one another. •
- We love by our hospitality (the Greek word is philoxenias, which is the love of strangers).
  - We love by caring for those who have been imprisoned.
  - We love by remembering those who have been mistreated.
- We should be people who value marriage and human sexuality. .
- Marriage and human sexuality should neither be so glorified that they become idols nor should they be so trivialized that they lose all value.
  - As the Creator of human beings, human sexuality, and human relationships, it is God's place to set the boundaries of sexuality and relationships.
- We should not overvalue material things because God has and will provide for us. .
- To be free from the love of money (aphilargyros) means to not be fond of silver or to not be dominated by the desire for financial gain.
  - The term for content (arkeo) means to be possessed of unfailing strength.
  - Contentment can be summarized as: "I have enough because I have God who • will never leave nor forsake me.
- We should consider the way of life of those who lead us to God's truth. •
- We should examine our leaders' lives from "top to bottom," and leaders should be • willing to have their lives considered.
  - Outcome means: "It is not merely the end of their physical life, but the manner in which they closed a well-spent life as exhibited by their spirit of dying."
- We should go to Jesus where He is and on His terms.
- The text describes Jesus as being outside the camp, which is a place of rejection and suffering.
  - However, this place of rejection and suffering is the place of redemption for us as we go out to him.
  - Going out to him means that we will likely face rejection and ridicule and suffering as he did.
- We should offer worship to Jesus. • •
  - This worship is specified as praise.
    - This worship is supposed to be continuous.
    - This worship is the result of confession of His name (homologounton). •