Student Study Guide: Sacrifices of Praise

Hebrews 13:9-21 (KJV)

Memory Verse

"By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name."

- Hebrews 13:15 KJV

Lesson Goals

By the end of this study, you should be able to:

- 1. Understand what it means to give a "sacrifice of praise."
- 2. Recognize how Jesus fulfilled and replaced the Old Testament sacrifices.
- 3. Identify ways you can live a life of continual praise and obedience.

1. Great Changes (Hebrews 13:9-14)

- **Grace, not rituals:** We are strengthened by God's grace, not ceremonial traditions.
- **Jesus outside the gate:** Just as sacrifices were burned outside the camp, Jesus suffered outside Jerusalem to sanctify us.
- Seeking a heavenly city: We are called to go to Christ "outside the camp" and seek the eternal city to come.

Discussion:

What does it mean to follow Jesus "outside the camp" in today's world?

2. Great Sacrifice (Hebrews 13:15–19)

- **Continual offerings:** Our sacrifice is praise—the fruit of our lips giving thanks.
- **Doing good and sharing:** Acts of kindness and generosity are also sacrifices that please God.
- Obedience and prayer: We are called to support and pray for spiritual leaders who
 watch over our souls.

Discussion:

- How can your words be a daily "sacrifice of praise"?
- What's one way you can support your pastor or leader this week?

3. Great Benediction (Hebrews 13:20-21)

- **God of peace:** Through the blood of the eternal covenant, Jesus is our Great Shepherd.
- Equipped for good works: God makes us complete and equips us to do His will.

Discussion:

• What good work do you feel God is equipping you for right now?

Into Life - Application

- **Praise:** Start and end each day with thanksgiving.
- Serve: Share generously with someone in need this week.
- **Obey:** Choose to support your leaders with encouragement instead of criticism.
- **Pray:** Commit to praying for your leaders, family, and community.

Thought to Remember

"Offer the new covenant sacrifices to Him."