Hebrews 10:19-25 Responding to Jesus' Sacrifice

I.	Introduction: The author of Hebrews called his Jewish audience to hold tight to their confession of Jesus as their Savior because He is the way to God.
II.	Responding to Jesus' Sacrifice (Heb 10:19-25).
	A. Let us Draw Near (vv. 19-22).
	1. The author of Hebrews declared that because Jesus' sacrifice has cleansed us of all our sins, we are able to draw close to God with full assurance of faith.
	 B. Let us Hold Fast (v. 23). 1. The writer encouraged his fellow Jews to hold on to Jesus without wavering because God is faithful and would bring about all of His promises.
	 C. Let us Encourage Others (vv. 24-25). 1. The writer urged his Jewish audience to stir up one another toward love and good deeds, remembering to meet regularly for mutual encouragement.

Conclusion: The author wanted his audience to draw near to God, cling to their III. commitment to Jesus, and continue to meet to encourage one another.

Study Questions: Responding to Jesus' Sacrifice

1.	What does the author invite his audience to do in light of Jesus' sacrifice? How should we
	respond if the blood of Jesus has truly washed us? How has Jesus opened the way to God?

- 2. How does a believer have the confidence to come into God's presence? (**Heb 10:19-22**) How were ancient kings inaccessible? (**Esther 4:7-17**) What makes God accessible to Chrisians?
- 3. Why does the writer call his hearers to draw near to God? (**Heb 10:22; 4:16**) Are you drawing nearer to Him? What can you do to draw closer to Him? (**Jer 24:7; 1 John 1:9**)
- 4. What is the second encouragement that the author gives to his audience? (**Heb 10:23**) What was causing some Jews to walk away from Christ? (**Heb 10:32-39**) Why did they return to Judaism?
- 5. Why should we hope in Jesus without wavering? (**Heb 10:23**) How has Christ already proven his faithfulness to us? What are some false hopes that the world put its trust in today?
- 6. What is the third command that the author gives to his audience? (**Heb 10:24-25**) What are Christians supposed to do when they meet? (**v. 24**) What does the word "stimulate" mean?
- 7. Why was it important for these Jews to meet together? (**Heb 10:25**) How does Christian fellowship keep us from falling away? (v. 25; **Eph 5:25-26**) Do you faithfully attend church?
- 8. What are you doing to draw near to God? Do you fearlessly proclaim your allegiance to Jesus? Do you come to church to encourage others? Why should a Christian come to church?

Prayer

- 1. Ask God to help you draw near Him through confession of sin and meditating on His Word.
- 2. Pray that God would use you to encourage a fellow Christian with your words or actions.