Jesus is Better

BOOK OF HEBREWS

"Pray for us. We... desire to live honorably in every way."

Hebrews 13:8

1. Remember The Faithful Leaders From Your Past (v.7)

Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.

2. Reject Deceptive Teaching (vv.8-9)

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings.

It is good for our hearts to be strengthened by grace, not by eating ceremonial foods, which is of no benefit to those who do so."

Does it magnify Christ and deepen grace?

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"The bull and the goat for the sin offerings, whose blood was brought into the Most Holy Place to make atonement, must be taken outside the camp; their hides, flesh and intestines are to be burned up."

Leviticus 16:27.

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Do I live as if this world is all there is, or as if heaven is real?

5. Offer Continual Praise (v.15)

"Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name."

Psalm 34:1:

"I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth."

6. Do Good and Share Sacrificially (v.16)

"And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."

7. Submit to and Pray for Your Leaders (vv.17–19)

"Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you. Pray for us. We are sure that we have a clear conscience and desire to live honorably in every way. I particularly urge you to pray so that I may be restored to you soon."

