

58-Hebrews-16-Transcript

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well welcome everybody to Wednesday night Bible study and it's so hard to believe that we are actually here at the end of the book of Hebrews that this is just a fact I have to pinch myself I really enjoyed this study and now we've come to the end of the study so I think tonight will be a bit of a shorter study but that's good we'll finish with Hebrews chapter 13 and then I have a summary of the whole book of Hebrews so we'll just do a review of what we've studied together and then pastor Marie is gonna join me after the summary for us to do a Q&A so we'll do a live Q&A if you're on Facebook if you are on the chat and also if you were on YouTube I'll have to remember to check YouTube as well we'll read your comments read your questions and just respond to you in real time and after we do have one question from last week that pastor Marie has been researching it will be ready to comment on that so as we're going through the final chapter here think if you have any questions and as we go through the summary if you have any questions get ready to post those in the chat or in the Facebook feed or in the YouTube comments

here we are at the end of the book of Hebrews let's open with a word of Prayer and then get into Hebrews chapter 13 our Heavenly Father we bow before you and praise your Holy Name

we just thank you so much Father for the privilege the high privilege the honor that we have as your servants to open your word study your scriptures learn

more about our high priest Jesus Christ and and be encouraged by the examples of those who have gone before us but also to take warning from the bad examples of those real human beings who failed who have gone before us we thank you Father we ask your blessing now in Jesus most holy men let's go to the text and we'll go to Hebrews as I like to do you know that I like to just always have a little bit of

context so we'll just go back a little bit I want us first of all to remember that this whole part of the book that we're studying has to do with Paul's instruction for us to consider one another so we're to consider the Apostle were then sold who is it that speaking to us then we're to consider the high priest who who is it that loves us and has sacrificed himself for us and wants us to succeed and then let's consider one another that none of us fail and that we're here exhorting one another we're not forsaking the assembly because we have such a love for each other in such a desire to see all of us succeed that we're going to not forsake the assembling of ourselves together so this context that we're going to study chapter 13 and is in the context of considering one another so that we can provoke one another unto agape and good works so it's about love but not just love it's not just this is not just theoretical it's it's action we have to be people who do good works we need to be full of good works building apart ward in our treasure for the return of our Lord Jesus Christ and then last week when we were in Chapter 12 we were exhorted to follow peace with all not with all general men in general but with all in the fellowship let's have peace

with everybody let's make sure that we are not in a situation where we're in conflict with the body that the body is fighting against itself like it's almost some autoimmune deficiency where the body is attacking itself we shouldn't be doing that we need to make sure we're in a condition of peace with everybody in the body but also let's make sure we also have holiness that we should be people who fear God and we should not be involved in the filth of this world and we have to be careful sometimes it comes upon us us surprisingly and so we just have to be ready to turn it away and turn away from it because if we don't have peace if we have schism in the body if we're in conflict with the body and if we don't have holiness forget it let's not fool ourselves we are not going to be accepted by the Lord so without peace and holiness no man will see the Lord and then in verse 15 he says we must look diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God so we're considering one another we're not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together not because we're so self-centered and we're just you know I hope I'm saved I hope I make it I know because we love the body and we are very concerned about the health of the body and the the successful outcome of everybody in the body so we're looking diligently our eyes are open for the congregation that we fellowship in if we see somebody's maybe discouraged somebody's maybe dropping away somebody's perhaps being immoral somebody is perhaps being offensive we the perspective we have were not present tense were present tense only were future tense we're looking at that brother were looking at that sister now

we're saying oh oh this is this is not good and we're going to provoke that brother or sister and though the word provoke means or can mean really strong conflict but it's conflict in love with it with the outcome the end the end view of being acceptable to Jesus Christ so we're looking diligently in case anyone of us should fall short of the grace of God but also lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble us it's so easy for people to get bitter and we need to be looking diligently and in making sure that that does not take root in us or in anybody in our congregation because when bitterness gets inside one of us the whole congregation can become defiled we're we're spring behind people's backs and we're stirring up animosity and that's where the devil is that's the devil's playground that's where the devil can get in and do his best work so we need to make sure that we don't have any bitterness we have peace with all Brethren and we are looking diligently to ensure that all of our brethren have this peace with all of the body but also we need to look diligently in case there be any fornicator any sexually immoral person in our midst and any profane since such as Esau and what did Esau do for one morsel of meat he sold his birthright and and this is the human condition where again we lose our future focus we get all present tense and preoccupied with the present and we're willing to trade this future glory for some nonsensical present stimulation in in Esau's case it was a morsel of meat for many of us it might be some sexual pleasure it might be financial reward and we just were willing to make the trade and somehow we've lost sight of

what it is we're called to so we are the
will of the Philippians to mindset where
we are really we have the mind of Christ
which doesn't think about ourselves and
thinks of the other and it esteems the
other better than ourselves and we
really are coming into our particular
congregation wherever it is we
fellowship and ensuring that we have
that oversight and that that concern for
one another and not to allow any of us
to give up what we've been called to
therefore we receiving a kingdom which
cannot be moved this this kingdom is
Daniel shows us that once it's
established it's established forever
unlike all these other kingdoms that are
replaced this one is coming to replace
all the kingdoms and it's going to last
forever so let us have grace whereby we
may serve God acceptably so we can serve
God and we can deceive ourselves and
think we're doing something but we're in
conflict with the body were engaged in
immorality we have bitterness where were
were were short or short-term thinking
we don't really see the future and we're
serving God and God rejects us so we'd
have to serve God acceptably with
reverence and godly fear it's good to
serve God with fear and then I think in
this modern age one of the biggest risks
we face is we simply don't fear God we
think we can talk we think we have God
in our back pocket and we can just treat
God like he's something calling and he
isn't just not real to us so we need to
treat him with reverence
and with godly fear and let's not be
complacent and take God for granted and
let's look out for each other but none
of us are doing this why because our God
is a consuming fire and that's something
that we need to just see that God will

destroy this work we're not involved in something that is make-belief were not involved in something that's fictional we're not involved with a God who can be taken for granted he's real he has very high standards and for us we either succeed or we fail there's nothing in between for us so we're either we're either in this in it to win it or what we're just fooling around and we're just playing and we can and that's what this whole letter to the Hebrews is about don't play this isn't this isn't a game take this very seriously so our God is a consuming fire so that's the context now that we come into chapter 13 look if I know in chapter 13 is just a lot of sort of rapid-fire instructions it's like Paul is running out of time he's coming to closing up this us sermonic letter and he's just in the context of considering one another he's just got a bunch of instructions for us and so we're gonna come through here some rapid-fire instructions that tell us how to consider one another and also tell us how to serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear how to have peace with all and how to have holiness so we have to take this last chapter even though it's kind of written in a very staccato and almost rapid-fire tone we need to take each instruction in the sense of its life-giving instruction this is what we this is how we need to live so the first one says let brotherly love continue and so this let brotherly love continue it is really the way to think of it is as a command this this word continue is in the imperative so this is this is an instruction this is a command you must do this so perhaps rather than let

brotherly love continue a better more
modern translate
might be you better let brotherly love
continue make sure brotherly love
continues I think when we say let
brotherly love continue as it sounds
kind of passive where the instruction is
not passive at all you better let
brotherly love continue don't let
bitterness creep in don't don't be at
odds with each other be at peace with
all and you better make sure in your in
our congregations that brotherly love
continues now again without which no man
will see the Lord now this is an example
I said last week I believe when you're
in revelation 22 I said that when he
says blessed are they that do His
commandments this doesn't just refer to
the 10 commandments so I'm doing the 10
commandments I'm good it refers to all
of his Commandments and that example
that we just looked at of you better
make sure that brotherly love continues
that's an example of a commandment so we
have to be going through the scriptures
and whenever we see imperatives the
imperative means you better do this that
is a command from the Lord and we we
need to be doing all of these this is
how we govern our lives we look at the
imperatives we look at the instructions
we look at the commands and we do this
and this is how we can have confidence
so that's what we need to be sensitive
to when it says in Revelation blessed
are they that do His commandments don't
just think the 10 commandments he goes
on then in Hebrews do not be forgetful
to entertain strangers so he wants us to
be very hospitable
don't be McNichol attention entertaining
strangers for thereby some have
entertained angels and some of the

translations will translate angels as messengers is that the you know by doing this some have actually entertained messengers so that's one way so human messengers people who are coming with a message but I think the sense here I take this as angels but the same way that Abraham had angels that the Lord and two angels came to him and he entertained them these angels may appear as human beings and who knows in the end time if there is more angelic activity amongst us and so we just need to have this ability that when strangers come through somebody's visiting we just have this hospitable nature as a congregation that we look after and especially in the first century when people pass through they were very dependent upon the congregation's to finance them to look after their their Hoss their accommodation needs as well as their travel needs when they're heading to the next convocation to give them food for the journey and so that was the way it was in the first century but still this is an instruction for us now that we need to have this hospitable nature and we should be especially those of us who are pastors developing this culture of hospitality is very hard people put themselves out and maybe people come over and maybe they're not the most gracious guests and people might feel that was so hard and people didn't even appreciate it and so we just need to get over all of this we need to learn how to be good guests but also we need to be very active hosts and very happy to accommodate and be hospitable so says don't don't forget to be hospitable to strangers he says now remember them that are in bonds so again there was a lot of persecution on the

church at this time there will be a lot of persecution on the church in the end time and he says to remember them don't don't even though they're taken away don't forget them make sure you're visiting them make sure you're writing to them make sure you're looking out in any way you can you're praying for them fasting for them looking after their needs and I've got to say I am so encouraged by you know not in correct my watch so it's very discouraging what has happened to Tommy Robinson and the way they mischaracterize him and slander him and call him a thug and a right-wing extremist of a racist he's none of those things and for us he's the canary in the coal mine

he really represents or we should see how the state treats him is how the state feels about Christians and this is our future and so we must remember those that are in bonds and I really thought and I'm glad I was wrong I thought when they took him away that he would just be forgotten he would basically die in jail but the outcry in Britain and around the world was very encouraging and you know what if they can do it we can do it so so we're not to forget those who are in bonds and he bruises for the end time but we're studying this in the context of everything that we studied in Revelation and we understand the nature of the governments that are going to control us in the future and they are hostile to Jesus Christ and so we're going to be accused of all countries this price tells us this we're going to be accused of all kinds and we need to be prepared to suffer for our belief in Christ and our unwillingness to compromise so the instruction to the rest of us who are

not in bonds is to remember those who are in bonds as if we were bound with them and then which suffer an adversity as being yourselves also in the body so don't think that because it hasn't happened to you and you don't need to worry about it

that if it happens to one that happens to all and if one part of the body suffer the whole body suffers many says this marriage he focuses on marriage he says marriage is honorable in all and the bed undefiled so it's very important that we treat our marriages with the highest regard treat each other's marriages but with the highest regard in a world that is marrying and giving itself in marriage and it's gonna keep on marrying right up until Christ returns but it has no concept of the holy meaning of marriage

we must really understand it what it pictures what it symbolizes why God created it as an institution for us it's it's completely honourable and the bed undefiled in other words the sexual relations of a husband and wife are undefiled the marriage bed is pure that communion that a husband and wife have together is holy and pure and highly symbolic however

whoremongers and adulterers God will judge and we live in a society that is full of whoremongers and adulterers so a whoremonger is someone who chases prostitutes or or someone who's engaged in pornos engaged in pornography engaged in illicit sexual activity and adulterers someone who's married but is engaging in activity with somebody else outside of the marriage bed you know what let's not fool ourselves

this is unholy behavior and God will have none of it none of it and you know

what you you there was a study done of
Christian evangelicals they are plagued
with adultery divorce adultery
fornication all kinds of illicit sexual
activity we in the Church of God do we
think we're completely pure of this that
none of this touches us we come out of
this society and even the Christian
world is highly impacted by this it's in
everything we watch were being
programmed by the so-called
entertainment to think that this kind of
behavior is acceptable it must not be
named once among the sins so I've just
got to tell you if you're involved in
any of this great prated pray to the
high priest Jesus Christ who will help
us and the tube Jesus Christ is
returning and he's a consuming fire and
he's returning full of Wrath and we
cannot face him we cannot be included in
his body if we're involved in this kind
of illicit behavior and we need to be
looking up for one another if this kind
of behavior creeps into our congregation
don't sit back and tolerate it speak up
speak to the brother speak to the sister
speak to the pastor and say this is this
and we can't have this in the
congregation Jesus Christ is coming and
and he condemns the congregation's in
revelation 2 & 3 who tolerates
whoremongers who tolerate adulterers and
they don't stand up and and and keep the
congregation pure and holy the marriage
bed is undefiled every other bed is the
file and these false pagan religions
that are creeping into our society and
tearing down Christianity and
introducing polygamy and even pedophilia
this it all begins when the marriage
union breaks down so we must we must be
the example our marriages must be people
must look at our marriages and say wow

you know that couple looks really happy
you can tell that they love each other I
wish I had that this is the standard
that we should have he goes on then to
say let your conduct be without
covetousness so the marriage bed is
undefiled and marriage is honorable
don't be looking at another's man
another man's wife or another woman's
husband and thinking oh I wish I had
that person don't be covetous but let
your conduct be without covetousness and
be content with such things as you have
so this is the Christian Way everybody
likes nice things but we're not about
this life we're we're like Abraham were
pilgrims and whatever God gives us we're
content we are we're very grateful every
every day we're giving thanks we're
showing gratitude the cup is always
half-full
now we're content with what he has for
he has said I will never leave you nor
forsake you so we must not leave or
forsake him if we conduct ourselves in
such a way that we're turning away from
him
that's our fault but as long as we're
obeying him he says he will never leave
us nor forsake us so we just need to
learn to be content so that we can have
this confidence God is with me I'm doing
my best to obey Him if our conscience
condemns us and we know we're not living
to the standard then we're not going to
have this confidence I know God I know
my
God is with me again the way Shadrach
Meshach and Abednego had that confidence
we're not careful to answer you in this
metric it because we know our God is
with us we're we're in communion with
him we're in a relationship with them if
we are leading double lives we're not

gonna have this confidence so let's just
us you
covetousness avoid it all together let's
do it and then we can have this
confidence that our God will never leave
us
you'll never forsake us and this is
coming from Deuteronomy where it says
for thirty-one for your the Lord your
God is a merciful God he will not
forsake you neither destroy you nor
forget the Covenant of your fathers
which he swore unto them this is why he
will never leave or forsake us because
he has sworn this covenant relationship
and so as long as we stay in the
relationship he cannot lie it's
impossible so he is bound by the
Covenant and so he will never leave us
nor forsake us the just shall live by
faith
and we believe in his word which is in
the Covenant so that when we have this
way of life
we're not covetous we are moral we are
needing pure lives then we know that
he's bound by covenant he'll never leave
or forsake us so that we may boldly say
now we can boldly say the Lord is my
helper so no matter what we face we can
just face it head-on with this quiet
confidence in his boldness that the God
of the universe the Lord Jesus Christ
Himself is our helper so whatever
situation we find ourselves in we know
he's watching over us and we have this
confidence we have this boldness again
if we're leading double lives we're not
gonna have we're gonna be a second
guessing we're gonna be worried we're
just not gonna have the confidence to go
forward because we know we've not lived
up to the standard this could be death
we know that if I die now hmm I know I'm

not living right so I don't want to die
now
and so now we've lost our confidence
whereas if we are leading the standard
living life at the right standard and
doing all we can and when we fall short
we'll go into the high priest until we
just have this boldness and so now the
King comes and wants to throw us in the
furnace hey you know what I don't need
that if you are asking me another
question can I'd asked you know can you
give me some time to think about I want
to weigh the pros and cons of your
proposal but for this to ask me to defy
God I don't have to answer I don't have
to think about it I'm not careful to
answer you the answer is no and we have
this confidence because of the
relationship that we have with Jesus
Christ so we can boldly say the Lord is
my helper and I will not fear what man
shall do unto me this is where the
confidence comes from so Paul is saying
do these things live the righteous life
and the outcome or the the fruit of the
byproduct of leading the righteous life
is this kind of confidence this
confidence in the face of evil that's
why Jesus Christ when he had this
contradiction of sinners that it was
incredibly intense contradiction that he
just had confidence because he always
did those things that pleased the father
the Lord is my helper so I don't know
who you have on your side we say to the
king but I know the Lord we know that
the Lord is our helper and so we will
not fear what a man can do the just
shall live by faith
the Jesus Christ says the worst they can
do is kill the body and after they've
killed your body there's nothing more
that they can do so so don't fear them

because he has risen from the dead and he will raise us from the dead the Lord is my helper I will not fear what man shall do unto me and where actually he's actually quoting here from the song from King David in Psalm 56 4 where David says in God I will praise His Word in God I have put my trust I will not fear what flesh can do unto me and I think if there's one message in the book of Hebrews it's this that if we understand God and we have the right relationship with God we don't have a spirit fear we truly have this spirit that that sound mind a spirit of love we have this boldness in this confidence and we don't fear what flashed in and we're living in a time of terror we're living in a time of fearfulness so the whole world is gonna be full of fear you're hashtag we are not afraid hashtag we stand together it's all nonsense it's all superficial nonsense they are terrified and they don't they'll turn on each other like that what we have is the Word of God and we will not fear what flesh can do to us because we're pilgrims and we have eternal life and it doesn't matter who the man is it doesn't matter who the woman is they cannot hang on to this life they can take other people's lives but then their lives will be taken and there's nothing they can do to keep their life but we have eternal life and so we're not afraid of what men can do and we have to just encourage each other and really build this kind of Christian muscle and confidence then he says this and this is very interesting in this single chapter where he's wrapping up and he said consider one another live well together be a piece together three times in the one chapter he speaks of them which have the rule

over you and this is fascinating because we live in a time where nobody wants anybody to rule over them over me I'm my own person and we just cast off any kind of authority over us and yet three times this is the first time three times Paul is saying remember them that have the rule over you obey them which have the rule over you and so there's something here that is very much on Paul's mind a part of holy living it's a part of holiness and so he says here in these instructions is he signing off remember them which have this is you know and I will call this some the rules of success so as he's signing off he's giving the Hebrews rules of six here's how you're gonna be successful and one of the things you can do to be successful is to remember the

which have the rule over you who have spoken unto you the Word of God and I think this is how we have to view the rule over us it's not that oh because your name is Stalin I have to do whatever you say oh because your name is Hitler I have to do because your name is mouths a tongue I have to do whatever you say no it's the ones who speak unto us the Word of God it's actually the Word of God that has the rule over us and and these people are chosen to facilitate the communication of the Word of God and he's saying to remember them like we can't just go off on our own and say I'm good I've got the Word of God I can read it myself that there's something God is doing where for us to be successful we are going to be fed by these Shepherds and and that's what that's the view I believe that Paul is asking us to have that God is going to set Shepherds over us and he wants us to understand

that these Shepherds are going to guide us with the Word of God why he says whose faith follow considering the end of their conduct so these have to be people who are living by the Word of God teaching the Word of God and it's all about faith it's obvious this book is all about faith and so we have dead examples of faith but God is also going to give us living examples of faith and we need to follow these examples God God will not leave us alone he's gonna give us Shepherds and then this do we and we know this actually from the prophecy we've read this before in Matthew 24 he asked the question who then is a faithful and wise servant there's going to be a faithful and wise servant whom his Lord has made ruler over his household so this is very much in the plan of God it's very much in the design of God it's very much in God's intention that he's not going to leave the sheep without a shepherd and he's going to choose shepherds and he's going to put them over the household why so they can get their jollies and having authority no he's gonna put them over the household for a reason to give them meat in due season that there are seasons and the whole the way God has designed the church he's going to put shepherds in place and then he's going to feed those Shepherds through his Holy Spirit with the appropriate meat for the season so as the world changes and we move into new seasons we will never be without guidance there will always be shepherds who are gonna say this is what we need to be focusing on now and then the world is gonna change ok now this is what we need to be focusing on and we don't know what these things are but it's not like we're gonna say ok in 2019 we're gonna

focus on x y&z but in 2020 will focus on ABC we don't know but God knows and so it's 2019 unfolds he's going to unfold to his shepherds what it is we're to focus on to lead his sheep and so Paul Burton three times in the 1 chapter as he's wrapping up it's about those who are put in this role and we cannot deny it in fact we see in Jeremiah 23 God's heart ultimately not just now but ultimately is to ensure that Israel the Hebrews have Shepherds he says I will set up Shepherds over them I don't want anybody over me yes this is this is what God says God says I will set up Shepherds over them which shall feed them always the oversight is associated with feeding if you love me feed my lambs if you love me feed my lambs the oversight is always associated with spiritual nourishment strengthen the flock I will set up Shepherds over them which shall feed them and they shall fear no more because they're getting the meeting due season and they're gaining the spiritual confidence and spiritual boldness and spiritual courage I will set Shepherds over them and should feed them and they shall fear no more nor be dismayed neither shall they be lacking says the Lord now look what what Ezekiel says Ezekiel says that the sheep were scattered his people were scattered why because there is no Shepherd and they became meat to all the beasts of the field when they were scattered so we either have Shepherds that give us meat in due season and keep us together and keep us united and keep us courageous or the Shepherds are taken away or we throw the Shepherds away and then we become meat to the beasts of the field so it's one way or the other and so Paul understands all of this and he's

saying number one remember those who have the rule over you look at their example follow their example they're there to feed you he goes on now in Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday today and forever and I just want to take a moment and talk about this I think it relates to Malachi 3 so Jesus Christ the same yesterday today and forever and in Malachi 3 verse 6 he says for I am the Lord I change not therefore you sons of Jacob are not destroyed so what does this mean does this mean that Jesus Christ can't grow that Jesus Christ can't learn that Jesus Christ can't be different tomorrow this is not what this means and this is more of again Greek philosophy creeping into the church and giving us these philosophical concepts of God that that are not in the Hebrew context what this means is that when God makes a covenant he never goes back on it it is impossible for him to lie so this is why I say I am the Lord I'm not going to be I'm not going to change my mind about selecting Israel and working my plan of salvation through Israel even though Israel is very evil Israel is very wicked Israel deserves to be destroyed God finds another way to work with Israel and to bring the whole world Israel that this nation of Israel shall be the king priests it's because of this covenant commitment that God has that he never changes his covenant that once he says this is what we made this covenant with Abraham he's not going to change it so it's an unconditional covenant he's not gonna go back on it so this is the confidence the confidence is in the Word of God the covenant of God this is what it means that he does not change

otherwise the sons of Jacob absolutely
it's like the first if the if God has a
to-do list number one on the to-do list
destroy Jacob destroy Jacob that's the
duds the toughness the Mosaic Covenant
they they have broken everything in the
Mosaic Covenant destroy them oh but wait
there's a covenant with Abraham and that
covenant is unconditional and God will
not go back on that covenant and that's
why Jacob is not destroyed and that's
why the Hebrews need to have confidence
in this high priest be not carried about
with different and strange doctrines for
it's a good thing that the heart be
established with grace not with meats
which have not profited them that have
been occupied therein we have an altar
whereof they have no right to eat which
serve the tabernacle for the bodies of
those beasts whose blood is brought into
the sanctuary by the high priest for sin
are burned without the camp there those
bodies are burned outside the camp
therefore Jesus also that he might
sanctify the people with his own blood
suffered outside the gate let us go
forth therefore unto Him outside the
camp bearing his reproach so so God was
willing to bear the shame in order to
redeem Israel let's go to him he's our
high priest for here have we no
continuing City so their shame on Christ
when he came to earth there's shame on
his people wait with all kinds is going
to be said about us and and when this
happens I hope that you won't believe it
I mean I'm watching this situation with
Tommy Robinson and others and just
seeing the other character is just
completely assassin
Tommy Robinson in particular I've been
following him for about three years I
would say this is a very noble man a

very very noble man somebody who has grown somebody who's learned somebody who has really educated himself and who has Christian courage and Christian ethics and to see how he's written about and how he's portrayed if I didn't know him or I don't really know him but if I didn't know of him and wasn't studying him for three years

I just believe all this that he's some kind of far-right thug racist and they can really paint a picture wait until you see what they do to us wait until you see what they do to us and we will have no ability to say that's not true and then we'll be sent to whatever appropriate punishment is reserved for people who satisfy their conditions of being unacceptable so we have no content this is not the life for us we don't have a continuing City here Abraham was here and he didn't have a continuance even though it was all promised to him he was right he was walking on the land that was promised to him it wasn't a continuing city for him for here we have no continuing City but like Abraham we seek one to come and that's an eternal City and our place in that city is permanent and so that's where our head is and we don't really care what men do today we have no continuous City but we seek one to come by him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually like wow we are really really truly heading to eternal life this is real and God has selected us I can't explain why I just know that this is what he's doing and let's just through Christ offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually that is the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name but to do good and to communicate don't forget and this word

communicate means Koinonia that means fellowship so again don't forsake the assembly to do good and to fellowship and learn to love one another don't forget to do that for with such sacrifices God is well pleased sometimes fellowship is a sacrifice maybe there's something else you want to do but you choose to be with the Brethren or maybe being with the Brethren might be difficult for you there may be something going on but God is well pleased when we when we prioritize come fellowship now again the second time obey them that have the rule over you and it keeps using this phrase they have the rule over you and again it's not this authoritarian dictatorship it is that we have the Word of God and we're bringing the Word of God to you so that you can order your life accordingly obey them and nobody can tell you what to do unless you can search the Scriptures and say oh wow that really is what the scripture says it's not because of somebody our minister says I need you to go and do this they just do it just all ya have it jump how high no jump okay which scripture are you asking me but where does it say I should jump and then okay but make sense I'll do that so obey them that have the rule over you and submit yourselves why for they watch for your souls that is the purpose of the spiritual Shepherds to watch for your souls the outcome of your souls as they that must give a give account so God is good Jesus Christ is going to call the shepherds and say what happened to these Souls I entrusted them to you what did you do so we must give account that they may do it with joy and not with grief for that is not profit is unprofitable

for you so in other words if you make your ministers life or your ministers of life very difficult you're bringing confusion upon your own head I'm bringing confusion upon my own head this is a body that should be working together in a mutually beneficial way so I should be seeking to make my ministers life easy and and and then he's now watching over my soul to make sure that I'm ordering my life according to the Word of God and this just works beautifully so he's saying again these are the rules for success in the face of persecution but this is what Paul is giving so remember obey those and so here he says to the Corinthians let a man so account as us as of the ministers of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God this is how they should see the ministry where were servants of Christ and we are stewards of the mysteries of God then he says moreover it's required in stewards that a man be found faithful so these Shepherds that God chooses we have to be faithful we have to live by them we're not just speaking the word we're living the word and that's what gives us the authority to speak it again and then here in Timothy it says and this is interesting against an elder receive not an accusation and it is amazing to me to see how quickly brethren fling around accusations against the elders even in social media the accusations that also the other day I was reading somebody's social media and just tearing down the elders in general I don't think he was being specific but it's like wow what huh what is this helpful you're broadcasting on social media your your dissatisfaction with the elders you should not be they

have to be careful about these accusations this is the devil's work so we Paul the saying don't receive this this is very destructive this is what the devil would love to do is to completely discredit the elders and all this stuff that we're seeing with the Catholic priests and all of their pedophilia disease the devil loves this because it just completely discredit screws Gianna T well where they're not Christians against the know they received not an accusation but before two or three witnesses so we meet it's not that we must never receive accusations against the elders it's that there must be two or three the same way we don't put somebody to death anciently they didn't put someone to death unless there were two or three witnesses and then the person could be put to death and the witnesses would throw the stones first in the same way this is serious so if an elder is doing something we will receive an accusation against them if it's backed up with two or three witnesses so God doesn't just subject us to people and then let them do whatever they want he says so be subject to them but then there's there's these um counter balances to make sure that they don't overstep their their work now listen to what is the what's it what else he says then that sin that is those elders that sin rebuke publicly rebuked before all make sure everybody sees that they are punished that others also may fear so elders don't have this license to just do whatever they want if they are sinning and it can be backed up with two or three witnesses there to be publicly reprimanded so that other elders realized whoa this is serious we

can't afford to allow ourselves to fall into that this is again so this is how important the Shepherd role is in the body for us to be successful in what lies in the race that's that's set before us then he says pray for us for we trust we have a good conscience so clearly a shepherd that is doing all he can to live righteously pray for us for we trust we have a good conscience in all things willing to live honestly and for me so here it is our just court in Ephesians now where it says to pray for me that utterance may be given unto me so this is his role as an evangelist he's saying please pray for me that utterance may be given unto me that I may open my mouth boldly it's hard it's hard to look the devil in the eye to look the devil's puppets in the eye and speak boldly but he's saying pray for me that I can do this and pray for our eldership that we can do this that we can open our mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel we must make it known for which I am an ambassador in bonds so Paul was imprisoned for this thing he did not do anything wrong he just spoke through the gospel and that caused him to be imprisoned that bear in even though he's in prison he may speak boldly as he ought to speak back to Hebrews but I beg you the rather to do this that I may be restored to you the sooner now the God of peace that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus so this is the strength of Christianity nothing no one else has this that this man who came to earth and died rose in glory and so the God who did this that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus that great Shepherd of the Sheep so this is again why obey those that have the rule over you

remember them that have the rule over you why because Jesus is the great Shepherd of the Sheep and he's using these either week he meets this function on earth called eldership so that he can exercise his role as the great shepherd but that by leading the elders with the holy spirit he's actually leading the Sheep but the Shepherds are just at his beck and call so he's that great Shepherd of the sheep through the blood of the everlasting covenant Paul sees so clearly this is all about the Covenant it's all about the Hebraic covenant and that's how the Hebrews have to conduct themselves govern their lives in the understanding of this covenant and how God is bound by it it's an everlasting covenant may he make you perfect and this word perfect is not silly oaths ortelius it is kept our teasel so it's a different word and this just really means to be strong to be restored to be mended to be to be healed may he make you perfect in every good work to do his will

don't don't fear don't turn back do the good works do his will working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight as opposed to that which he did about horse which the father's dead instead let's do what's well pleasing in his sight through Jesus Christ to whom be glory for ever and ever amen and I beg you so he sees really this is really pleading and he's also begging now bro suffer the word of exhortation so he's asking them now please accept this word of exhortation and and it's a harsh letter when we if we sit back and just read this letter

it is quite harsh this is not oh I'm so glad to see you you guys are wonderful everything you're doing is great this is

some pretty tough language and now he's begging them please Allah accept this word of exhortation don't roll your eyes don't start backbiting just really take it in the sense of the love that he speaks with so I'm begging you brethren allow this word of exhortation forever for I have written a letter unto you in few words so there's so much to say and I'm Trent be as concise as possible and I might not make everything smooth I might just hit you between the eyes sometimes but allow that I'm speaking from a position of love I really want you to be successful eternally so so allow this in the fact that I might have bruised you or hurt your feelings a little bit please accept it know you that our brother Timothy is set at liberty with whom if he comes shortly I will see you salute them that have the rule over you three times as he's wrapping up like I just got to give you the most important things how to conduct your life three times remember those who have the rule over you obey those who have the rule over you salute all them that have the rule over you and all the saints they of Italy salute you grace be with you all amen and that is the letter of Hebrews what a wonderful wonderful letter and I just thank those of you we were not sure do we do isaiah do we do hebrews at first it looked like we were gonna do isaiah and then all of a sudden there was this push for hebrews and then i'm really really glad though that god inspired us to go with hebrews especially coming out of revelation these two books really go hand in hand when we see hebrews not just as a historical text but as guidance for the future now what I want to do very quickly

before pastor Murray joins us is just quickly do a review of the book of Hebrews just what is it that we have studied together in this book and I just put together this little poster or or infographic of what the book of Hebrews is all about and if you'd like a copy of this I'm happy to send it just email me at Adrian Davis at CGI Canada org Adrian Davis at CGI Canada org and I can send you this so Hebrews the key lesson here is therefore because because of who is speaking to us and who is speaking to our fathers he says therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard lest at any time we should let them slip that really is what the book of Hebrews is all about the first emphasis is sort of three major themes here the first emphasis is to consider the Apostle so this is the messenger who is it that is bringing the message so God spoke to our fathers through the prophets and angels they disobeyed these prophets and angels and they were punished today God speaks to us through his son his son is superior to all the angels of all the prophets therefore we must not harden our hearts or we will not enter into his rest we must labor and give the more earnest heed to this messenger that's the first theme in the book of Hebrews the second theme then once we understand who it is that's speaking to us the second theme is to understand and consider our high priest he was made like us so he was a he in all points he was human like us and he felt the weakness of fear he had to face the devil's puppets just as we have to and he felt the fear of that he felt the being the weakness of that and he was made just like us as humans but then he was made a high priest that

is superior to the Aaronic high priests
and he was made a superior high priest
by a superior method they were made high
priests by a law that could be changed
and and was changed with the new
covenant but he has been made a high
priest by a superior method that is the
oath of God which God says he will never
go back on so he's inducted into this
office of high priests of the order of
Melchizedek by a superior method and
it's a superior order it's an eternal
order it's the order of Melchizedek with
a superior offering it's not just the
blood of goats and bulls this is his own
blood and he's serving in a superior
Tabernacle mediating a superior covenant
so we have to consider this as AI priest
therefore because we understand our high
priest

we should come boldly to the Melchizedek
ian king priest throne of grace notice
it's not just come to grace it's to
come to the throne of grace because
there's a king sitting on that throne
he's not just a high priest
he's a kingly high priest because he's
of the Melchizedek ian's order king of
righteousness king of peace and he's the
high priest so we must come boldly to
this Melchizedek II and king priest
throne of grace to find help when facing
this intense persecution which which is
causing us to reconsider our walk and
and causing us to want to turn back and
we need to realize he will have no
pleasure with us if if we turn back the
only way for us is the way forward and
and we need to understand that the who's
gonna help us go forward is this high
priest and then the final theme is that
we consider one another we should
provoke one another to love and good
works and away from apostasy away from

bitterness and away from sexual impurity
we must not forsake the assembly we need
to care for each other
persecutions going to intensify as we
approach the end and
therefore we need to really value
fellowship that we have with each other
and the exhortation opportunity we have
to give to each other and we have to be
ready to resist on to blood and we're
going to need each other to get through
this God is going to discipline his
children he disciplines all his children
but it's going with the prophecies show
us that this discipline is going to be
severe there's a lot of hypocrisy in
God's among God's people there's a lot
of half-hearted --mess among God's
people this there's evil in God's
covenant community as as it was in
Habakkuk stead and Habakkuk complained
and said God why do I see all of this
and you're not doing anything and God
said no no I am doing something I'm
raising up the Chaldeans and they are
absolutely going to shatter my covenant
community but don't worry in the face of
that shattering that the just shall live
by faith so it's going to be severe but
don't worry because in the face of death
the just shall live Italy by faith so
let's help each other run the race
that's set before us with endurance why
because if we turn back it is a fearful
thing to fall into the hands of the
Living God
he's a consuming fire he's a destroying
fire be sure to keep loving one another
be pure in marriage on your elders
so Hebrews we saw it's all about faith
we see that he's just talking over and
over about faith then he stops doesn't
talk about faith at all and then he
resumed the discussion on faith

thirty-six times he uses this this term
either faith or faithfulness three times
he talks about believed or faith and
these other greek words four times he
talks i need to update this actually
this is anti pestis unbelief our
unbelieving and zero times in chapters 8
and 9 he speaks about faith he doesn't
talk about it in
and that's because he's telling us about
the high priest whom we are to believe
in and then finally on the the
infographic here I just have at the end
let us run with endurance the race that
is set before us and so others may be
falling down and in Paul's time there
were Hebrews that are already turned
away we have to continue and we have to
help each other continue let us the
Hebrews for one let us therefore fear
lest a promise being left us of entering
into his rest any of you should seem to
come short of it for unto us the gospel
was preached as well as unto them but
the word preached did not profit them
not being mixed with faith in them that
heard it so this is the key for us what
Paul is trying to tell us is this race
that we're running it must be mixed with
faith that if we don't have faith we're
not going to be successful so that's a
summary of the book and what we'll do
now is let's talk and let's uh hopefully
you got a lot out of this this lesson or
this this study of the book of Hebrews I
know I certainly did I have a much
deeper appreciation for the scripture
than I did before I thought I understood
it before but just going through it
again together over the last few months
has deepened my appreciation for it
hopefully yours as well and what we'd
like to do now both pastor Murray and I
is just open this up to you have you

asked us questions and let's just talk about this book has been wrap up so let me just get pastor Marie on the on the line here

brother Murray are there I am here can you hear me great yes can give you very well thanks so much for joining us this evening hey thanks for having me it's been a good journey down this book of Hebrews it really has it's it's quite something isn't it I just got so much more out of it studying I know we had studied it locally in Burlington but I just got so much more out of it this time that way so uh pastor Murray there was a question from JD last time last week and I it's something that I was considering but I was on the plane I didn't have enough time to dive into it when Paul says you know he's the pioneer the author and finisher of our faith the question was is this relating to Revelation as we've been trying to tie Hebrews and revelation together where Christ has repeatedly referred to as the Alpha and Omega the first and the last and so I think you took that away wondering if you could maybe comment on that first sure absolutely and I believe it absolutely does connect directly to the comments and revelation of him being the Alpha and the Omega but in the context of Hebrews I think those much much deeper it's interesting when you dig into the Greek words for word author and finisher the Greek word for author is the word art a ghost and it means one that takes the lead and thus affords an example a predecessor or a pioneer and when we consider what that deserved that that definition we think of verses in Revelation like Jesus Christ to a slain from the foundation of the world we considered one of the first

prophecies back in Genesis chapter 3 where talks about him bruising him having his heel bruised you'll crush the head of the adversary then the word finisher is the word teleo test which is a you'll recognize the root word Telos and that means what one who has in his own person raised faith to its perfection he's so set before us the highest example of faith well so when we consider both of these concepts as the Alpha and the Omega the one who has pioneered the example of faith and the one who has now matured and the church is probably the wrong word but has been raised in faith - and has taken faith to its perfection what we see here is we've have a perfect example of faith you've talked in your in the recap of the he's the superior apostle he's the superior priest and we need to consider each other we take all of this that he is the superior example like you walked through the examples in Hebrews 11 of all those that died in the faith well even in this in the light of all of those who died in the faith he is the superior example of faith and then we consider phrases biblical phrases like faith in Christ is it faith in Christ or is it the faith of Christ and I think that really calls into its like that both are accurate we need faith in Christ but we also need the faith of Christ because he has perfected that faith and when we consider that and we consider that in context the rest of the letter even if you go back to Hebrews chapter 12 so we'll read that verse in verse 2 looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith and then in this context of him being this example this is following on the detail of all

of those great cloud of witnesses that we read about in chapter 11 he continues in verse 2 who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross despising the shame and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God that is teleost that is completely perfect faith so when we consider that the author and the finisher of our faith it really in light of going through this book of Hebrews is really a shout out to a to those who are in the faith to buckle down and get serious and also those who haven't made that commitment to look it's about time to make that commitment you've we've you even got those examples here in Scripture and it's time to make that commitment and just a word to those who may be on the study that who may be remote it's the beauty of technology that we're experiencing now that if anyone is interested in fact it's a quite easy to handle remotely we're actually going through three different cases of baptismal counseling as we speak because of these studies so certainly reach out to yourself or myself we can we can begin that process for sure let's connect this ville-marie doc Pomus here at CGI Canada org to reach you yes sir so yeah so again if you are thinking you know what I really do need to get serious and my walk with God and perhaps you're not baptized but you'd like to consider it and be counseled for baptism reach out to us and Marie dot Palmateer you see the spelling of his name there Marie duck Palmateer at CTI Canada org and on that study so very helpful thanks very much for that one of the things that I was looking at Marie was in Hebrews 6 and verse 20 really is introducing the Melchizedek in order the

Melchizedek is a high priest and he says where the forerunner is for us entered so he's the author he's the forerunner he he he goes first and he's made he's made a high priest after the order of Melchizedek so this priesthood is not through the line of Levi it's through an oath and it's he turn it's an eternal priesthood we also are going to be King priests so we're not going to be Levitical King priests we're going to be milked as a dekyon King priests and so Christ is the forerunner for that and then in Hebrews 6:1 when he was introducing this he says to the Hebrews to leave the principles of the doctrine it was the first the foundation of doctrine of Christ and let us go on unto tell it Teli it's so the very perfection the very end point so he's the forerunner we're to follow him and John when John saw him and he says I mean I'm the first and the last and I have the keys of the grave and of of Helen of the brave of death so that we have we can have this confidence as you said he's the greatest example of the just shall live by faith I'm silly yep that's green that's great and ignorant I did see Maury just a couple of questions here on Facebook I don't know if you see any on the chat but on there's one on the chat okay but you go ahead first all right so Blake silverstein asks how do we encourage our youth so that's a great question because it's not just the Church of God but Christian churches worldwide are often suffering from the fact that one generation gets it but the next generation doesn't necessarily get it and so how do we encourage the youth yeah one way that we can encourage comes to mind is Paul's admonition in Titus

for the older brethren to spend time and take the young people under their wing see if I can pull up I believe it's in Titus 2 and that is one way for us to in Titus 2 there's an admonition that the in verse 2 that the aged men be sober brave temperate sound in faith and charity and in patience and the aged women likewise that they be and behavior as becometh holiness again in both cases exactly following the admonitions of the hebrews about about being serious about our holiness and then dropping down to verse 4 that they may teach the young women to be sober to love their husbands to love their children to be discreet and he continues there so our a our examples where we are examples of striving for holiness and then the in line with that spending time with them encouraging them to to take up their walk with Christ including them in in studies in the congregations and a spending time with them and then as you said you know when they when they stumble help them through it call it out and make sure they understand theirs but but why patiently with them through it because having been there before yeah and I do think that the youth are not stupid they're looking at this world and they're seeing just how out of control it is and then they're looking at their friends and seeing that their friends are leading lives that are disorderly and I think they do want more and so to be able to spend time with them in the Word of God and make it relevant to them it can't be just so highfalutin and conceptual it doesn't it doesn't touch their real life and I think you've done a great job with the infuse you said you had a question on the chat sure yeah just before I go to that the one other

item about the youth that will be it would be important is don't be examples of hypocrisy you mentioned that there you mentioned that they're smart they also they also see Apocrypha I also know they they do yeah and I think in a family you know if you go to the services and you're buckin down and see the nice clothes and then you come home and live it you're living a double life they will have somebody absolutely see that yeah the question comes from Ray it's more general than nature huh Ray's comment to you as the more we study the more complex our obligations seemed to become can we really be successful serious is a given the more we studied more complex our obligations seemed to become can we can we really be successful with it so my first thought is of course we can be successful that's really that's really what this is all about but I think fundamentally when we get right down to the root it's about loving God with all of our heart soul and mind and loving each other as ourselves and and all these other instructions are really helping us to do that and so that's to me like that it's like at the surface level it might seem kind of complicated but when we bring it down to the root it's very simple love God with all our heart soul and mind and love each other as ourselves your thoughts

yeah and in light of those two meats especially in this format here were many of our listeners and wine and Watchers are remote it is important to in this in our lives of remoteness which I know several on this study are that we find ways to connect with rather than find ways to be to some love each other means that we need to be part of each other so

we need to be in each other's lives yeah
and I think when you just covered in
chapter 13 that sometimes there's a bit
of a sacrifice to be part of a
congregation or to be part of each other
but it's it's something that that is
will be well worth the effort it's very
true and I think because of that
sacrifice many times the Brethren will
just move on it's like they were a part
of in a congregation for a while
something happened that they didn't like
they move to another congregation then
what happens is they take themselves
with them and then something else
emerges because there's a problem really
in them that they're projecting onto
others and they just keep floating from
congregate and I've seen some brethren
as well where they don't land in any
congregation they're just floaters they
don't commit to anybody I think God
really wants to put us in the body
help us commit to each other learn about
each other learn to love each other
learn to work together and this then as
we are shaped in this way he can
actually then place us in the bigger
body and you're absolutely right as well
about the technology
if we're remote we can now be in
fellowship and I know you're doing quite
a bit behind the scenes with remote
brethren and fellowshiping and
counseling of them the in light of what
you just mentioned and actually it
slipped my mind what you said so I've
lost my train of thought there's another
question came across here so why don't I
go to this other question here if I
either regain my train off I'll go back
to it from JD the Greek translation of I
will never meet you nor forsake you has
five negatives the English is something

like quote I will not not leave you I
will never know never forsake you and
sorry more you just broke up there at
the end I heard the translation into
English but then you broke up after that
it's at the the final comment which what
a faithful God we serve so that's a
comment or yeah that was just a comment
yeah and we have another comment from
absolutely let's underline that what a
faithful God we serve and that's also in
the context of Hebrews God is faithful
to the Hebrews he owes nothing to
mankind and I think we need to be really
really clear about this the covenant is
with the Hebrews and we are all grafted
into this Hebraic communion absolutely
yep and that's where we can have strong
confidence as well that God will not go
back on his on his cover certainly I
know I was just there's just another
comment there's no more questions yet
but from Marian sister with love
Maryland we need to be in touch with
each other so we can support each other
absolutely Ahmet and I'm seeing
something similar to that here as well
and I'm sorry for those of you who were
on Facebook if you have posted a
question and we don't get to it maybe
you need to repost it because I think
because it's live I'm not seeing all the
comments it's telling me there are more
calm
that I can actually see but I see Trudy
Cranford just saying how much he loves
the studies Charles Robert thanking us
for the studies and just saying it's a
real blessing so thank you Trudy
and Charles and also Blake silver Stein
you were asking for the the infographic
if you just email me at Adrian Davis at
CG CGI Canada org then I'll send that to
you anybody else if you'd like the

infographic it's Adrian Davis at CGI
Canada that I like and I'll send that
out to you Alicia Monroe Prime
hi there at least yeah she hopefully
it's the least you could be a Vista I
think it's Alicia have you been
persecuted for your faith so I can
answer that Marie and say that I have
not faced persecution for my faith not
yet I'm prepared for it I know it's
coming anything that I've faced has been
trivial so no I have not yet and in fact
what I'll say and I just want to mention
this as well next week we're going to
speak up one week before we need the
feasted season next week we're going to
study the book of Jude on recommendation
and it's a great I just did a read of it
it's gonna be a great study next week we
look at revelation of what's coming we
look at Hebrews how to conduct ourselves
to be successful against this
persecution that's coming from the
outside and then Jude looks at
persecution many through infiltration
what happens when the persecution is
coming from the inside and I would say I
have faced some internal persecution but
that's just you know that's just the way
it is no but I certainly cannot in any
way say that
I've been persecuted for my faith in any
substantive way what about you money
yeah I can't say I have either our own
up in the faith and and we've all faced
trials but I certainly couldn't track
any of them up to persecution yet that's
for sure and again again hello up there
- Alicia thanks for that questions and
then just going to while you do
something else that came to mind while
you were studying you were giving this
study you mentioned in Chapter one of
Hebrews 13 about the let brotherly love

continue

you mentioned the that the verb is imperative just a few comments on that the when when you are it the the resource of Strong's Concordance becomes a very valuable tool in our studies and the what you were referring to is the tense or the mood in degree off for the Greek verbs when he open Strong's in the study you pull up the herbs it's important when they are verbs not to just look at the meaning of the specific brief verb but there's a second number attached to the fact which if you pop that open will reveal the mood or the tense and it is quite revealing and very impactful when you understand the various the various tenses or moods real high-level there's a factual tense there's a command tense there's a possibility hopeful tense and then there's a doubtful tense and I'm sure there's more but those are the four main ones here so that's the second it's the second number at the back of the Strong's really good somebody's telling me that I got a typo in my infographic up it's that willow love she so willow we've given you the email there that you can send to and Anthony Clement says hello and again if you did post a question and we didn't answer it inside side of my feed now and I was just typing too quickly so I have to do what I've corrected over there anything else marina on the child nothing on the chat so far that's we're up to date on new chat any other thoughts not just that it's a it's it's a nice transition from revelation into Hebrews and I'm really looking forward to Jude I completely agree with the notion about persecution on the inside and really that dovetails

back and I'm sure he'll that he'll probably touch on this dovetails back to some of your teachings on Matthew 24 and the 21 about betrayal and that and that sort of thing so here really looking forward to that as well and again thanks for all your artwork that this it's definitely been a blessing to many may and yours as well and your all your support and so God has really blessed us for those of you who are not local to us Maria my pastor to congregations we sometimes joke and say three because we have Burlington we have other one and we have this virtual community and God that just blessed us with each other and we complement each other we support each other and we're stronger together and I think this is really how God intends for this plurality of eldership to work where there's no one person it's really God is the Jesus Christ is the over shepherd we are under shepherds and and the plurality makes sure that nobody is focusing on any particular man they're focusing on Jesus Christ and we're just helping to you know we each have strengths we each have weaknesses but together where we kind of offset each other's weaknesses and optimize each other strengths absolutely so here's another question for you from Blake silverstein as an elder what behavior do you like to see in those you minister to actually I did see this question earlier Blake so thanks for me posting that summary think about this as well and as elders what behaviors do we like to see in those we minister to well obviously you can go to scriptures and consider the various lists that Christ gives us through the various writers first Peter second Peter Galatians five those sorts of things but

I think patients I think humility a seek
first to understand and to be understood
mentality a mutual respect for everyone
and and a if things happen where where
we run into difficulties a mindset where
I'm going to make the assumption that
that every my brother hath about what's
my best interest at heart and that
there's simply a misunderstanding
simple things like simple things like
this and obviously a passion for God's
Word yes equally and most important yeah
I think I totally agree I think third
John four comes to mind where John says
I have no greater joy than to hear that
my children walk in truth because when
we have that passion for God's Word
everything else we're going to truly
love one another we're gonna truly love
God and gonna truly be passionate about
the things about us
to do when you walk in truth and so John
says here I have no greater joy than to
hear that my children walk in truth and
I think so we both have that sense that
when people uphold God's Word and you
know it's a pleasure when you preach
God's Word and people are hungry for it
they really want and then they order
their lives accordingly that's like wow
you know when we're dead and gone to
think that we have impacted cute the
lives of human beings in such a way that
they are going on to eternal life this
absolute this is just profound comment
here from Denise she says my silence I
think speaks to how how mind-blowing and
amazing the message is in God's work
indeed amen and Rebecca cotton game here
says yes such a blessing and thank you
so this is great so we are going to do
Isaiah the way this is going to work
next week we will do Jude and then
unfortunately after the unfortunately

cuz I really love these studies but for the month of September we are not going to have any studies there's just between the feast days and travel it's just this there's no Wednesday that I can that I can slip in I think there was one where it was maybe atonement but I felt like maybe I'd be the only one here and everybody will be out breaking their fast so so when we will resume study after the feast in October so study next week and then in October we're going to begin in the Book of Isaiah and I feel inspired to do second Isaiah so instead of going through the whole book of Isaiah we're gonna pick it up you know Isaiah has 66 books or 66 chapters the Bible has 66 books Isaiah has 66 chapters the Old Testament is made up of 39 books in 27 well first Isaiah is 39 chapters and second Isaiah is 27 chapters so second Isaiah really picks up in terms of the new covenant and enabling the new covenant and it will really support everything that we have been studying in Luke and acts in Revelation in in Philippians and Hebrews in Jude so in beginning God willing will do second eyes I will still be referring back to first Isaiah but our focus line-by-line focus is going to be in second Isaiah God willing so let me just check once again with oh sorry question here by Alicia do you baptize and living water or baptismal pools so do you go to like a lake and baptize or we use pools to do baptisms and maybe could comment on the significance sure I think well I've done both I have done in in living water once or twice before and it was certainly emotionally it was it was it was interesting for me having never done it before

to be in living water I think what is most important is being baptized and that the water itself is is because it's symbolic doesn't matter it's the fact that it's full immersion that is most important in an understanding of sin and repentance and the holy spirit and growth in Christ and his covenant and all those sorts of things that we talked about but if there is living water close by and it's not too cold and that's that's a fascinating way to do it and I have been up once or twice and it certainly was a added to the the overall atmosphere of the day for sure and Marie again thanks for all that you do and I know you

a lot of baptismal counseling behind the scenes and fellowshiping with milk brethren and it's just wonderful and again brethren or anybody out there if you are looking for baptismal counseling you're considering that please reach out to pasture Murray at Murray dog Palmateer at CGI Canada org if you'd like a copy of the infographic please reach out to me at Adrian Davis at CGI Canada dot work so this ends right sounds like this hard for me to say goodbye to the book of Hebrews but I guess it won't really be saying goodbye because I'm sure we'll be referring and cross referencing it as we go forward with our future studies thanks so much and I just really have to thank the Brethren and the people out there who follow us every week faithfully and have this real zeal and interest in the Word of God I just marette I think you would agree it's just so encouraging to all those of us who teach to have students who are so eager to learn and so we really thank you and I mean that I bless you and may God bless us as we continue

and just set our minds to run this race
that is set before us with endurance
Jesus Christ what a faithful God we
serve he is our high priest he's our
King our future husband let's praise Him
god bless
nice customer and thank you but good
night everyone
you know you know