

Faithful 7/5 & 7/8

Hebrews 10:19-25 New International Reader's Version (NIRV)

An Appeal and Warning to Remain Faithful

¹⁹ Brothers and sisters, we are not afraid to enter the Most Holy Room. We enter boldly because of the blood of Jesus. ²⁰ His way is new because he lives. It has been opened for us through the curtain. I'm talking about his body. ²¹ We also have a great priest over the house of God. ²² So let us come near to God with a sincere heart. Let us come near boldly because of our faith. Our hearts have been sprinkled. Our minds have been cleansed from a sense of guilt. Our bodies have been washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold firmly to the hope we claim to have. The God who promised is faithful. ²⁴ Let us consider how we can stir up one another to love. Let us help one another to do good works. ²⁵ And let us not give up meeting together. Some are in the habit of doing this. Instead, let us encourage one another with words of hope. Let us do this even more as you see Christ's return approaching.

60 years after the death of Jesus, God appealed to the people, warning them...

- Let us COME NEAR to God v. 22
- Let us HOLD FIRMLY our hope in God. V. 23
- Let us CONSIDER one another stirring up LOVE and good works. V. 24
- Let us not GIVE UP MEETING together. V.25
- Let us ENCOURAGE one another in hope. V. 25
- Let us do this MORE as Christ's return approaches.V.25

Today we are facing an epidemic of LONELINESS and shallow relationships.

We were made to be in RELATIONSHIP. (Genesis 2:18, Romans 5:8)

- With GOD (Jeremiah 24:7, Romans 8:38-39)
-
- With OTHERS (John 17:20-23, Acts 2:42,47, John 13:34,35)

SMALL GROUPS AND RELATIONSHIPS

Small groups are **MESSY, DIFFICULT** and take **SACRIFICE**.

Small groups meet Gods calling for us to grow spiritually (Ephesians 3:17-19, Colossians 2:6-7)

- We can **SHARPEN** one another (Proverbs 27:17)
- We can **ENCOURAGE** and **LOVE** each other (1 Thessalonians 5:11)

What they are meant to do

- **CONNECT** with God and others. (Hebrews 10:25)
- **ENGAGE** with the word of God and His People. (Hebrews 19:25)
- **SERVE** the body of Christ and the community (Galatians 5:13, 1 Samuel 12:24, Romans 12:11)

LET US BE **INTENTIONAL**. (Hebrews 10:26, James 2:14-17)

INTENTIONAL about our relationships with God and with the church

INTENTIONAL about participating and joining in with a body of believers in a small group.

Next Steps

I am going to take steps to be more intentional in my relationship with God and with others at New Hope.

I want information on how to engage God and others at New Hope in a deeper way.

I would like to know more about a relationship with God.

Faithful **7/5 & 7/8**

Hebrews 10:19-25 New International Reader's Version (NIRV)

An Appeal and Warning to Remain Faithful

¹⁹ Brothers and sisters, we are not afraid to enter the Most Holy Room. We enter boldly because of the blood of Jesus. ²⁰ His way is new because he lives. It has been opened for us through the curtain. I'm talking about his body. ²¹ We also have a great priest over the house of God. ²² So let us come near to God with a sincere heart. Let us come near boldly because of our faith. Our hearts have been sprinkled. Our minds have been cleansed from a sense of guilt. Our bodies have been washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold firmly to the hope we claim to have. The God who promised is faithful. ²⁴ Let us consider how we can stir up one another to love. Let us help one another to do good works. ²⁵ And let us not give up meeting together. Some are in the habit of doing this. Instead, let us encourage one another with words of hope. Let us do this even more as you see Christ's return approaching.

60 years after the death of Jesus, God appealed to the people, warning them...

- Let us _____ to God v. 22
- Let us _____ our hope in God. V. 23
- Let us _____ one another stirring up _____ and good works. V. 24
- Let us not _____ together. V.25
- Let us _____ one another in hope. V. 25
- Let us do this _____ as Christs return approaches.V.26

Today we are facing an epidemic of _____ and shallow relationships.

We were made to be in _____. (Genesis 2:18, Romans 5:8, Romans 8:38-39)

- With _____ (Jerimiah 24:7)
- With _____ (John 17:20-23, Romans 15:5,6; Acts 2:42,47, John 13:34,35)

SMALL GROUPS AND RELATIONSHIPS

Small groups are _____ and take _____.

Small groups meet Gods calling for us to grow spiritually (Ephesians 3:17-19, Colossians 2:6-7)

- We are able to _____ one another (proverbs 27:17)
- We can _____ and _____ each other (Ephesians 4:11)

What Small Groups are meant to do

- _____ with God and others. (Acts 20:28)
- _____ with the word of God and His People. (Matt. 10:20, Isaiah 66:23)
- _____ the body and the community. (Galatians 5:13, 1 Samuel 12:24, Romans 12:11)

LET US BE _____ (Hebrews 10:26, James 2:14-17)

_____ about our relationships with God and with the church.

_____ about participating and joining in with a body of believers in a small group.

Next Steps

I am going to take steps to be more intentional in my relationship with God and with others at New Hope.

I want information on how to engage God and others at New Hope in a deeper way.

I would like to know more about a relationship with God.