



**Hebrews – The Way Home**  
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**USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE**

We have provided all the Scriptures references in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to discuss the weekend message.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together. Give priority to the needs and pace of your group members.

While the questions are important, remember your group's goal is to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships. Use the discussion questions as you see fit but emphasize the relationships.

**[Hebrews 13:8-21, ESV]**

<sup>8</sup> Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." <sup>9</sup> Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them. <sup>10</sup> We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. <sup>11</sup> For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. <sup>12</sup> So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. <sup>13</sup> Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured. <sup>14</sup> For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. <sup>15</sup> Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. <sup>16</sup> Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. <sup>17</sup> Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you. <sup>18</sup> Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a clear conscience, desiring to act honorably in all things. <sup>19</sup> I urge you

the more earnestly to do this in order that I may be restored to you the sooner.

<sup>20</sup> Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, <sup>21</sup> equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.”

## **How to get back on the path and stay there**

### **1. Go outside the camp**

#### **[Hebrews 13:12-13, ESV]**

<sup>12</sup> So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. <sup>13</sup> Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured.

#### **[Hebrews 13:14, ESV]**

For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come.”

### **2. Sacrifice**

#### **[Hebrews 13:15, ESV]**

Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name.

#### **[Isaiah 61:3, NKJV]**

To give them beauty for ashes, The oil of joy for mourning, The garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness.

#### **[Psalms 145:1-2, NIV]**

<sup>1</sup> I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever. <sup>2</sup> Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.”

### **3. Serve**

#### **[Hebrews 13:16, ESV]**

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have. . .

**[Mathew 20:28, ESV]**

The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

**4. Submit**

**[Hebrews 13:17, ESV]**

Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.

***"Submission begins when agreement ends."***

## **Key Points:**

### How to get back on the path and stay there

1. Go outside the camp
2. Sacrifice
3. Serve
4. Submit

## **Applications for the Week:**

This week, pray and ask God to show you any areas of your life that need to get back on the path. Stay on the path through choosing to praise God no matter what, step to serve others, and chose to submit your life to Jesus daily and invite a trusted leader to speak into your life.

## **Discussion Questions:**

1. Have you ever been lost? What did you do to find your way back?
2. What are some tendencies we run to when we are lost or off course?
3. In this season of life, how have you been doing with staying the course? What has helped or hindered you?
4. Where do you go to find identity, value, and purpose in? In other words, what camp are you living in?
5. What is the sacrifice Jesus ask of us? How does praise, gratitude and thankfulness combat difficult situation we all face?
6. When has praise specifically changed the atmosphere or circumstance for you or your family?
7. How is service a lifestyle both in the present and in eternity?
8. Who are you submitting your life and lifestyle to? What ways have you set up for you to receive guidance and direction?