LOVE Hebrews 13 11-27-22

I. Application of the Book – How Do We Live Holy?

1. Love each other.

Hebrews 13:1 – "Let brotherly love continue."

2. Love strangers.

Hebrews 13:2 – "Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

3. Love the hurting.

Hebrews 13:3 – "Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body."

4. Love <u>marriage</u>.

Hebrews 13:4 – "Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous."

5. Love what you have.

Hebrews 13:5-6 — "Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." So we can confidently say, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?""

6. Love your leaders.

Hebrews 13:7 – "Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith."

7. Love sound doctrine.

Hebrews 13:8-9 – "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. 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."

8. Love the new covenant.

Hebrews 13:10-14 — "We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. 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. So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured. For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come."

9. Love worship.

Hebrews 13:15 – "Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name."

10. Love giving.

Hebrews 13:16 - "Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God."

11. Love leading.

Hebrews 13:17 – "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."

II. How Do We Do These Things? ~ Through the equipping of Jesus

Hebrews 13:20-21 — "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, 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."

GROWING DEEPER THIS WEEK

- 1. What did you think about the message this week? What stood out to you or challenged your thinking?
- 2. Which of the 11 love points from chapter 13 challenged you the most? Why?
- 3. Why is it important for the author to close with the Gospel point of verses 20-21?
- 4. How does the Gospel motivate us to live holy?
- 5. Why is holy living important for us in our world today?
- 6. In the study of Hebrews what was one of the biggest things you learned? How does that shape the way that you live?

PRAYER

• Spend some time discussing who you might invite to come to our Christmas services this year. Take some time and pray for those people by name. Encourage one another to be bold and invite or share the good news of the Gospel with that person this holiday season.