

Sunday August 12th 2012
The Letter to the Hebrews
Part Fifty Five
Study Questions

1). Heb 11:28 *By faith he kept the Passover and the sprinkling of blood, lest he who destroyed the firstborn should touch them.* 29 *By faith they passed through the Red Sea* - What do these verses record about Moses and the Children of Israel?

- a). What kind of faith is referenced here and how would we know?
- b). Who else has exhibited this kind of faith?
- c). Despite having faith to the saving of the soul what do they do?
- d). What is God's response to this and why according to the scripture would He have to respond this way?
- e). Has God changed His mind since then?

2). 1Co 5:7b*For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us.*

- a). Why is the picture of Passover significant for us?
- b). What is Passover inextricably connected to?
- c). What does this event picture for us and what scripture did we look at?

d). What does this whole sequence of events have to do with?

e). And from the scriptures how do we see that this is the same for both Israel and the church?

f). So what is the fulfillment of God's purpose for the church and for Israel contingent upon for those involved?

g). What is the reality regarding faith that we must grasp with regards to the first generation to come out of Egypt and what does this mean for us?

3). Read 1 Corinthians 10:1-12 – what has God provided for us in these verses and why has He done so?

a). What do the first 4 verses tell us about Israel?

b). Despite this what was God's reaction to them?

c). What does v6 tell us with regards to this?

d). To what event does v6 refer and where do we find it in the scriptures?

e). Who were 'the mixed multitude' and what did they do?

f). In which parable in Matthew Chapter 13 would we find a similar situation to this?

g). What were they all complaining about and what were they in effect saying?

h). Is that which God has provided in His word sufficient in and of itself for our pilgrim journey or not?

i). What would the leeks, cucumbers and onions picture within a Christian context?

j). How is your appetite?

k). How does God respond to their complaining and what might we learn from this?

4). *7 And do not become idolaters as were some of them. As it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play."* To what event does this verse refer and where do we find it in the scriptures?

a). What should have been Israel's response while Moses was on the mountain?

b). What do you think would have caused them to act in the way they did?

c). What do you think this would look like from a Christian standpoint?

d). How do we safeguard ourselves from making a golden calf?

5). *8 Nor let us commit sexual immorality, as some of them did, and in one day twenty-three thousand fell;* - What is referenced in this verse and where would we find it in the scriptures?

a). Who was Balaam and what did he do?

b). Why did his 'counsel' find success in the camp of Israel?

c). Where else do we see Balaam mentioned in the scriptures and why is this significant?

d). Exactly what do you think that 'sexual immorality' refers to in this context?

e). What would this look like from a Christian perspective?

6). Do you see any similarities in the examples we have looked at so far?

a). What would you say is the focus of the attack against Israel in these examples?

b). Do you think this would be the same for Christians and how would we know from things we have studied in the past?

c). What do you need to do in order to take heed so as not to fall?

