HEBREWS: CHRIST IN ALL OF SCRIPTURE AMEN BIBLE STUDY 2017-2018

Life in God's Family – Basic Ethics Hebrews 13:1-16 May 10, 2018

I. Some final thoughts – Gospel Ethics

Love the family (v. 1) A common adoption (Gal 3:26-28),

common identity (Eph 4:1-6, 1 John 3:16 ff)

Care for strangers in need (v. 2) 'The Great Commandment' (Luke 10)

Identify with imprisoned friends (v. 3)

Honor (your) marriage highly (v. 4) As defined/designed by God (Gen. 2, Matt

19:4-6, Eph 5:22 ff)

"Marriage bed" – purity

Don't love (worship) money (vs. 5, 6) Jesus: Luke 12:15, 16: 13-15, 1 Tim 6:10

2 Cor 8:9 – Gospel metaphor Contentment – 1 Tim 6:6,7 Our only <u>true</u> security?

Imitate seasoned leaders Remember

who finish well (v. 7, 8) Consider the outcome

Imitate their faith

Be "strengthened by grace" (v. 9) Stick with the clear teaching – main

things/plain things

II. Christ's Atonement and the "City to Come" – Summary (vs. 10-14)

III. Live a Sacrificial Life (vs. 15, 16)

Discussion Questions

- 1. What about "brotherly love" makes it distinctly Christian? (v. 1)
- 2. What would it look like for the contemporary church to "remember" prisoners? (v.3)
- 3. If you were asked to briefly explain the essential nature of Christian marriage, how would you do so? (v. 4)
- 4. Why is it difficult for you to be materially/financially content? (v. 5)
- 5. What people come to mind when you remember the spiritual leaders in your life? (v. 7)
- 6. Why, in reaction to the issues of money and spiritual leaders, does the writer pull our focus back to Jesus? (vs. 5, 6, 8)

For further reading: Counterfeit Gods, The Meaning of Marriage – Tim Keller