

HBC Pulpit Curriculum
The Measure of Our Maturity Series
Worshipping Christ Corporately (Heb. 10:23-25)

This material is designed to help give you ideas for discussing the sermon profitably. We trust the lifegroup leaders to choose the questions that will be most helpful to their groups. No one should feel obligated to complete ALL the questions. The reason there is so much material is to offer guidance for those who would like to further study the topic during their devotion times during the week. In our experience, many people need some direction for devotions in order to actually have them.

Introduction

This week's sermon focused on worship. The passage we studied provokes us to love and good deeds and to worship God corporately.

Intro: How can a person measure their spiritual maturity? What are the 4 W's of Harvest that can help us assess it? Think of the most spiritually mature person you know: what words would you use to describe that person's character?

I. Participate in Christ's salvation (v. 23)

- a. Kurt gave the illustration of preparing food for a baby, but the baby still has to open up and take in the food. What does it look like practically to open your mouth spiritually? How wide open is your mouth to receive what God has for you?
- b. As believers we are to "cling to" or "hold fast" to our confession of faith in Christ. Clinging means "holding fast, jealously guarding and protecting. How does this manifest itself in your life? How would you describe to someone your clinging to Christ's salvation? What does that look like?

II. Provoke the brethren (v.24)

- a. If you were given a job with Merriam-Webster and had to define terms...How would you define worship? According to your own definition, what is the most meaningful way you worship God?
- b. Is there an area of your life where your worship needs to improve? What are some specific ways you can improve it?
- c. Our pastor encouraged us to write down the name of one person outside of our family that we could encourage both physically and spiritually. Have you identified your person? How do you plan this week to follow through with your commitment to God and that person? Who will be holding you accountable?

III. Pack out God's house (v.25)

- a. Why is corporate worship important? (Consider the biblical analogies of "the vine and the branches" and "the Body of Christ")
- b. Kurt gave us 5 ways to make the most of Sunday mornings.
 - i. What were they?
 - ii. Which one impacted you the most? How so?
- c. How is your heart affected when you miss corporate worship on Sunday?
- d. What aspect of Sunday morning do you look forward to the most?

Harvest Bible Chapel praises:

Praise the Lord for the arrival Pastor Mark Schmitz & his wife Sandy

Harvest Bible Chapel prayer requests:

Please continue to pray for a Worship Pastor