FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ORANGE PARK



June 25, 2023

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:

Hebrews 6:13-20

¹³ For when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore by himself, ¹⁴ saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you." ¹⁵ And thus Abraham, having patiently waited, obtained the promise. ¹⁶ For people swear by something greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation. ¹⁷ So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he guaranteed it with an oath, ¹⁸ so that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us. ¹⁹ We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, ²⁰ where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek. ¹

D-GROUP AGENDA

Welcome & Catch Up

Begin your D-Group time by taking a few minutes to catch up since your last meeting. Share updates regarding prayer requests shared previously and celebrate what God has done and is doing in the lives of your group members.

Read It

Read the scripture passage, highlighting portions that stand out and things you wish to discuss.

Study It

Among your group, discuss those things that stand out in the passage. For things that may be confusing or create more questions, work together to discover God's truth. Here are a few good books on Hebrews and Leviticus.

Hughes, R. Kent. *Hebrews: An Anchor for the Soul*. Preaching the Word Commentary. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2015.

Mathews, Kenneth A. *Leviticus: Holy God, Holy People*. Preaching the Word Commentary. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2009.

Moseley, Allan. Leviticus. Christ-Centered Exposition. Nashville, TN: Holman, 2015.

¹ <u>The Holy Bible: English Standard Version</u>. (2016). (Heb 6:13–20). Wheaton, IL: Crossway Bibles.

- Mohler, R. Albert, Jr. *Exalting Jesus in Hebrews: Christ-Centered Exposition*. Nashville, TN: Holman, 2017.
- Schreiner, Thomas R. *Hebrews*. Evangelical Biblical Theology Commentary. Bellingham, WA: Lexham, 2020.

Review It

What is the value of remembering long-given promises to long-dead people? This is especially focused on the biblical promises to Abraham and other Old Testament promises? How do these impact our lives today?

What causes the change of circumstances of fulfilling promises made by many people? Why is failing to come through on promises so prevalent?

What is an oath and why should or shouldn't a Christian take one?

Five Questions

- 1. What did you like about this week's scripture passage and sermon?
- 2. What did you not like or find confusing about this week's scripture passage and sermon?
- 3. What does this week's scripture passage and sermon say about God?
- 4. What does this week's scripture passage and sermon say about humanity?
- 5. Who outside your group needs to hear the truths from this week's sermon?

Prayer

Pray for each other. Pray for our church and for others gathering in D-groups. Pray for specific needs shared among your members.