

## LET US FIX OUR EYES ON JESUS

**Confidence and Perseverance      Hebrews 10: 19–39**

*Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. Hebrews 12:2,3*

*Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. Colossians 3:16*

**Day 1: Read Hebrews 10:19–25.**

1. The author begins this passage by recapping the highlights of Christ’s sacrifice recounted in Hebrews 10:1–18. Which word or phrase in verses 19–21 is most meaningful to you?
  
2. What five exhortations or applications follow from this sacrifice? (Hint: Each one begins with “let us...”)
  
3. Why do you think each exhortation begins with “let us...” and not “you should...”?
  
4. Are exhortations commands? Why or why not?

**Day 2: Read Hebrews 10:22, 23.**

5. Meditate on the phrase, “Let us draw near to God.” Does this strike you as a comforting or an intimidating proposition? How does author of Hebrews view it?
  
6. What four things does the author list in verse 22 that enable us to draw near to God ?

7. What is the basis for the hope mentioned in verse 23?

8. Give an example of how you might “draw near” and “hold on” in your daily life.

**Day 3: Read Hebrews 10:24, 25.**

9. In what three ways are we urged to reach out to others in these verses?

10. List several different methods you might use in obeying these commands.

11. In what ways are the commands to draw near to God and to encourage each other related?  
(Recall Jesus’ summary of the Law in Mark 12:28–34)

**Day 4: Read Hebrews 10:26–31.**

12. One commentator compared this passage with that of parents warning their children about the dangers of a busy highway near their home. How does this comparison explain the author’s tone and choice of language?

13. To whom is this section referring? (vs. 26)

14. To worship idols resulted in physical death under the Old Covenant (Deuteronomy 17:2–7);  
What is the result of the apostasy described here?

**Day 5: Read Hebrews 10:32–39.**

15. After any encounter with a scary reality, one understandably seeks comfort. With what does the author of Hebrews seek to comfort his readers? (vss. 32–34)
  
16. What further assurance does he offer? (vss. 35, 39)
  
17. What evidence or fruit of your own faith can you recall in times of doubting? Consider writing a psalm or hymn of praise in the style of Psalm 107 recalling key events in your own walk with God.