

**Epistle To The Hebrews**  
**Chapter 10: 19-39**  
**1/8/25**

**The writer of the Epistle to the Hebrews is unknown. For many readers, Hebrews is considered to be one of the most difficult books in the New Testament. A study of the Old Testament, its background and certain phases of the first-century can be beneficial.**

**The Epistle to the Hebrews is a tribute to the incomparable Son of God and an encouragement to the author’s persecuted fellow believers. It seems that the author was concerned that his Christian readers were wavering in their endurance. He approached this matter in a two-fold presentation: 1) the writer exalted Jesus the Christ, who he addresses as both “God” and “this man,” and is thus the only One who can serve as a mediator between God and man; and 2) he exhorted his fellow Christians to move forward unto perfection, and live by faith.**

**The author of Hebrews wanted to exalt Jesus Christ. An indication of this desire is the consistent and repetitive use of the Greek word *kreitton*, which means “better,” “superior,” or “more excellent”.**

**No other book in the New Testament ties together Old Testament history and practices with the life of Jesus as thoroughly as the book of Hebrews.**

**Hold Fast The Faith:**

**vv. 19 - 25**

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**Punishment For Willful Sin:**

**vv. 26 - 31**

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**A Call To Remember Former Days:**

**vv. 32 - 39**

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**Small Group Discussion:**

- 1. In what way is the law a shadow of good things to come?**
- 2. What can the law not do that Jesus can do?**
- 3. Why does God not desire sacrifices and what does He desire?**
- 4. Discuss the meaning of the phrase “He takes away the first in order to establish the second?”**
- 5. How can we better allow the law of God to be perfected in our minds?**
- 6. Can God literally forget sin? Explain.**

**Next Week’s Lesson:**

**No Classes 12/25 and 1/1/26**

**Have a blessed and Merry Christmas as we celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus the Christ. May God bless you with a Happy New Year.**

**1/8/26 – Hebrews 11**