

# **Sunday School Live Lesson**

**August 24, 2025**

**Sacrifices of Praise**

**Hebrews 13:9-21**

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## Questions for Us Today

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How do you give praise to the Lord?

What have you sacrificed for your faith?

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## Objective

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To understand the messaging of the Hebrews writer in this passage.

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## Points of Information – Hebrews

The authorship of the Book of Hebrews is unknown. Its writing has been variously attributed to Paul, Barnabas, Silas, Luke, Priscilla, Apollos or others.

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Most Biblical scholars, however, are certain that the Apostle Paul is not the author.

The Hebrews author was an Old Testament expert, quoting and referencing numerous Scriptures.

# Points of Information – Hebrews

Chapter 11 of the Book of Hebrews contains the well-known Hall of Faith. Cited are Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph and Moses. Also included are Rahab, Samson, Samuel and David.

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The message of faith is a dominant theme in this Biblical Book – not just in Chapter 11.

# Points of Information – Hebrews

Hebrews 13:2 contains a clear warning for how we are to treat people whom we might not know:

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“Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some have entertained angels without knowing it.”

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## Points of Information – Hebrews

The Hebrews writer makes a strong case for the superiority and sufficiency of Christ Jesus – as the Perfect Sacrifice (for our sins) and as our High Priest, providing us with direct access in His Name.

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## Lesson Context

The Book of Hebrews begins by stating the superiority of Our Lord and Savior, Christ Jesus.

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The Hebrews writer speaks of the humanity of Jesus, the Christ.

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## Lesson Context

The Book of Hebrews tells of the High Priesthood of Christ Jesus.

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Chapter 11 of the Book of Hebrews  
– with an emphasis on faith –  
provides a roll call of saints  
throughout Scripture.

## Hebrews 13:9 NIV

Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings. It is good for our hearts to be strengthened by grace, not by eating ceremonial foods, which is of no benefit to those who do so.

## Hebrews 13:10

We have an altar from which those who minister at the tabernacle have no right to eat.

## Hebrews 13:11

The high priest carries the blood of animals into the Most Holy Place as a sin offering, but the bodies are burned outside the camp.

## Hebrews 13:12

And so Jesus also suffered outside the city gate to make the people holy through His own blood.

## Hebrews 13:13

Let us, then, go to Him outside the camp, bearing the disgrace He bore.

## Hebrews 13:14

For here we do not have an enduring city, but we are looking for the city that is to come.

## Hebrews 13:15

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise – the fruit of lips that openly profess His Name.

## Hebrews 13:16

And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

## Hebrews 13:17

Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you.

## Hebrews 13:18

Pray for us. We are sure that we have a clear conscience and desire to live honorably in every way.

## Hebrews 13:19

I particularly urge you to pray so that I may be restored to you soon.

## Hebrews 13:20

Now may the God of peace, Who  
through the blood of the eternal  
covenant brought back from the dead  
Our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of  
the sheep,

## Hebrews 13:21

equip you with everything good for doing His will, and may He work in us what is pleasing to Him, through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

## Remember These Things:

Do not hesitate to give praise to the Lord!

Remember that Christ Jesus made the ultimate sacrifice – on the Cross – for our sins!

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