

Corridor Church Bridge Group Better: A Study of Hebrews

Sample Schedule (You don't have to follow this time table but we do ask you include each element.)

7:00 PM	Meet and Greet
7:15 PM	Introduction and a little vision casting Corridor exist to Pursue the One that is far from God for the One who is God!
7:30 PM	Bible Study
8:30PM	Close out with time of prayer
9:00 PM	Farewells

It is ok to let the conversation wonder a little but try to redirect back to the passage. Allow people freedom to answer however they wish. Even if it doesn't line up with Scripture. However, if it doesn't make sure to discuss that further by asking questions and directed statements to help the group see what Scripture truly says about the matter.

Allow people time to share answers. It might be quite for a few moments after you ask a question. Sit in the Silence. This is tough no matter how long you have been leading a group.

For further help you can also look at The Gospel Coalition Commentary on Hebrews.

If you would like I can also get you a copy of Christ Centered Commentary: Exalting Christ in Hebrews.

Both of these are used in the writing of the sermon and the Bridge Group Lesson.

Sticky Statement: Choose Jesus!

Hebrews 10:26-39

Read 10:26-31

What stands out to you in this passage?

For those that were made it Sunday or watched it online, was there anything said in the message that stood out to you?

What does it mean to choose Jesus?

What is a reason you would tell someone that they should choose Jesus?

According to our passage what are the consequences of choosing not to follow Jesus?
Terrifying expectation of God's judgment and the fury of a fire.

What are the three offenses listed in verse 29?

Trampling the Son of God

What does it look like to trample the Son of God?

This is a rejection of the divine nature of Christ. This person says Christ is not God.

Rejecting the power of the blood of Christ

What does it look like to reject the power of the blood of Christ?

It is to say that the blood of Christ does not hold the power to forgive sins. That Christ sacrifice was not enough.

Insulting the Holy Spirit

What does it look like insult the Holy Spirit?

This is to hold no value in the God the Spirit. If one rejects Christ they also reject the Holy Spirit. To say Christ is not God is the disparage the Holy Spirit as also not God.

What might be the reason these are listed deserving of severe punishment?

When one rejects Christ they are saying that He is not good enough. The person is saying they know better. By doing this they remove God from the throne and place themselves there.

How does this passage make you feel as we talk about it?

For those that are Christians it should motivate us to tell our loved ones about Him and our need for His sacrifice.

For those that are not Christians it serves as a warning not to reject Christ.

Read 10:32-39

What do you see happening in verses 32-34?

What do these verses mean for modern Christians?

In this life Christians will experience suffering.

Read John 16:33

Why do you think Christian experience suffering at the hands of others?

The world does not understand the choice of following Jesus and what they do not understand they mock. It is also likely because they fear the idea of surrendering control of their life to God or really anything other than themselves.

Look at verse 34 again, why were their possessions taken from them?

The implication in the passage is that they were taken because of their faith in Christ.

How did the original audience respond to their things being taken from them? Why do you think they responded that way?

They watched with joy as their earthly possessions were taken away. They understood that it was just stuff. Their prized possession, the thing they valued more than anything could never be taken from them. What they valued above all else was Jesus.

How would you handle to “confiscation of your possessions”?

The Christian life will never be easy, but will always be worth it.

What is the confidence mentioned in verse 35?

For those that are believers they have the ability to approach the very throne of God.
We have a confidence because of the grace of Christ to approach God directly.

Do Christians have anything to fear in God's coming judgment? Why or why not?

No, Christians have nothing to fear. When we follow Christ our judgment is commuted.
It is marked "paid by another." We no longer face the judgment because Christ has taken our punishment and brought us peace.

Why should someone choose Jesus?

This was the closing challenge from Sunday (feel free to share it or not, it is up to you):

Have you submitted to the call of Christ?

If not, what is stopping you?

If you have, keep walking with Him and do all you can to bring others with you!

If someone be determined to reject Jesus then let us love them, if they wish to die without Jesus then let us model forgiveness for them, and if they wish to enter eternity unprepared then let it not be they have not been warned.