

Our Response to Christ's Finished Work.

1. We can enter the Holiest with CONFIDENCE.

A. By the BLOOD of Jesus.

- 1 Peter 2:24, 1 Peter 3:18

Justification: Just as if I had never sinned. Just as if I had always obeyed. Just as if I had always lived a life of perfect righteousness.

B. Through the new and living WAY.

C. Because we have a GREAT High Priest.

Jesus is both ... our access ... [and] our advocate~R. Kent Hughes, Hebrews, vol. 2 page 30

2. We must DRAW NEAR to God.

A. With a TRUE heart.

Positively stated, a [true or] "sincere" heart is represented in the words focus or wholeheartedness. ... This is how we are to draw near to God ... [being] real, genuine, absorbed. ~R. Kent Hughes, Hebrews, vol. 2 page 32

B. In full assurance of FAITH.

C. With HEARTS sprinkled and BODIES washed.

3. We must HOLD FAST.

A. To the confession of our HOPE.

A person who genuinely trusts, cannot help being hopeful. A hopeless believer is a contradiction in terms. ... [A] person who is genuinely hopeful will hold fast. ... One who ... still has hope will still hold on. Continuing is a mark both of faith and of hope. ~John MacArthur, Hebrews page 266

B. Without WAVERING.

- Hebrews 6:18-19

C. Because He Who promised is FAITHFUL.

Jesus [and His completed work] is the foundation and substance of our hope [and anchor of our soul]. ~R. Kent Hughes, Hebrews, vol. 1 page 178.

4. We must CONSIDER one another.

A. By stirring up LOVE and good WORKS.

- Acts 16:37-39

B. by FAITHFULLY assembling together.

We cannot encourage and stimulate one another if we are not regularly together. ~adapted from ~Douglas Moo Hebrews, page 383

C. by EXHORTING one another.

Be Barnabas, an encourager, the church already has more than enough discouragers. ~Mel Walker, 2016 Lamoka Teen Retreat

Which response is God calling me to give, to obey?
