

THE THREAD | The Gospel At Work

Lesson 9: A Letter To The Hebrews

Dear Parents,

Hello! We just wrapped up the ninth of our 13 lessons, looking at the spread of the Gospel and Christianity in a post-crucifixion/resurrection world in our study, *The Gospel At Work*. These 13 lessons are all a part of our study of the big-picture story of the Bible called *The Thread*. In this lesson, entitled “A Letter to the Hebrews,” our purpose was for students to begin to realize the power they have to influence others when they strive to live Christ-centered lives in a spirit of unity with other Christ-followers. Students discovered within this letter written to Jewish converts to Christianity that they have a great capacity to encourage one another to live as Christ-followers in their daily lives, as well as the importance of unity as it pertains to living as Christ-followers at school and in their worlds.

Lesson Overview: We’re better together. The two New Testament passages we will look at today admonish us to build one another up and encourage fellow believers. This selfless, unified approach to the Christian life flows out of a response to what Christ has done for and in us. During the lesson, students will think about practical ways to encourage one another to be unified in their pursuit of living for Christ.

What We Want Your Teenager To Learn: Understand that they have a great capacity to encourage one another to live as Christ-followers in their daily lives. Take hold of the importance of unity as it pertains to living as Christ-followers at school and in the rest of their worlds.

What We Want Your Teenager To Do With What They’ve Learned: Consider how they might encourage each other to be unified and to strive to live Christ-centered lives.

Scripture Passages We Studied: Hebrews 10:19-25; Romans 15:5-7

Please Take A Few Minutes This Week To Read These Passages.

Next Steps. . .

During the next week, as you engage in conversations with your teenager, remember that one way that will help them to understand and apply what they have learned is to explain it to someone else. Use the following questions to guide your conversation:

- How important is it to you to encourage other Christ followers? (Share your perspective too.)
- How important is it for you to be encouraged by other Christ followers? (Share your thoughts too.)
- What did you experience that taught you about unity?
- Was there an activity in the lesson that really felt great participating in? Explain.

Thank you for all you do. As a parent, you are the primary spiritual influence in the life of your teenager, and they desperately need you. I’m praying for you! If you have any questions or if I can help with anything, please don't hesitate to let me know.