

Summit Woods Baptist Church
Sermon Study Equipping Class

Hebrews 13:15-16

Remember to begin your study early in the week so that you have time to really think (and keep thinking) about the passage without being rushed.

❖ **DAY 1**

Read Hebrews 13:15-16

For these lessons, the sermon text is provided in a format that visually helps display the structure of the paragraph or section of text. The main verbs are underlined. Commands are double-underlined. Generally, the main indicative clauses remain to the left, and the other clauses are either directly underneath when they have equal priority to what comes before or are tabbed to the right when the clause supports, develops, or draws a conclusion from a neighboring clause.

15 Through Him then,
let's continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God,
that is, the fruit of lips praising His name.

16 And do not neglect doing good and sharing,
for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

1. Re-read Hebrews 13:1-19. We have been learning in chapter 13 that the writer of the book is giving several mandates for the church as he ends this letter. What mandate do we see in verses 15-16?

2. Read 1 Peter 2:5. According to this passage, what are we as believers being built up as?

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3. According to 1 Peter above, why would we need to be built up as a spiritual house?
4. Re-read Hebrews 13:15. We have seen in the book of Hebrews that sacrifices were very important under the Old Covenant. How do the sacrifices in our passage differ from those in the Old Covenant?
5. Read 1 Peter 2:5 again along with 1 Peter 2:9. Especially in verse 9, what are we, spiritually speaking, going forward after salvation?

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❖ DAY 2

Read Hebrews 13:15-16 again.

6. Read Isaiah 57:19 along with v 15 of our passage. According to V 15, what does the phrase “praise of the lips” refer to?
7. Read V16 of Hebrews 13. After the encouragement in V15 when we picture offering up the sacrifice of praise, what are we also not to neglect in V16?
8. According to V16, what is God’s response to “doing good and sharing”?

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9. Read Romans 12:13 along with V16 of our passage. How does this passage in Romans help you understand what is meant by the word “sharing” in V16 of our passage?

10. Where else in Hebrews 13 have we seen the mandate to practice hospitality?

❖ **DAY 3**

Read Hebrews 13:15-16 again.

11. Read James 1:22-27 along with V16 of our passage. What principle do we see in the James passage that is reinforced in V16?

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12. Read Isaiah 58:9-10 along with V16 of our passage. What further light does the Isaiah passage give to the “works” implied in V16?

13. Read Philippians 4:18. What does Paul say about the gift sent to him through Epaphroditus?

14. Re-read Hebrews 13:15-16. What is the connection between these two verses which talk about praise and thanksgiving in V15 and practical sharing and doing good in V16?

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15. How has your praise and thanksgiving led to doing good and sharing?

This week, pray:

- 1) Thanking God for giving you His Spirit, by which you can praise His name in the first place.
- 2) Asking God to give you perseverance in doing good and sharing. To not tire of doing good for others, especially to our brothers and sisters in Christ.
- 3) Asking God to show you opportunities to do good and share with those in need.