

Hebrews: The God Who Speaks
“The God of Peace”

Scriptures referred to in Sunday’s sermon for your study.

John 16:33 “I have said these things to you, that in me you may have PEACE. In the world you’ll have tribulation . . . [troubles of all sorts]. But take heart; I’ve overcome the world.”

Ephesians 2:5-6 . . . By grace you have been saved— [God as] raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

John 6:27 Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you.

John 6:51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever.

Romans 5:1-2 Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have PEACE with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

1 Corinthians 15:17-19 If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

1 Corinthians 15:32 If the dead are not raised, “Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die.”

1 Corinthians 15:3-8 For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

1 Peter 1:19-20 . . . a lamb without blemish or spot . . . foreknown before the foundation of the world

Revelation 13:8 . . . the Lamb who was slain from the creation of the world.

Hebrews 12:2 . . . for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame

Questions for personal meditation and study

1. In your own words, what does it mean to you to hear God referred to as “The God of Peace?”
2. How does the resurrection prove that God can deliver a “peace that passed all understanding” or a peace that exists even in times of trouble?
3. What does Jesus being referred to as the “Great Shepherd of the sheep” mean that He is and what does it mean that we are? What are our responsibilities and privileges as His sheep?
4. Pastor has been saying that Jesus gives us a life that is bigger and more profound than merely living, and that our eternal life is not just more time to live. What do you think he means? Is there other scripture that might tell us more about our eternal life?
5. What do you think “eternal covenant” in Hebrews 13:20 is referring to. Look up Ephesians 1:4, 1 Peter 1:19-20, and Revelation 13:8.
6. In Hebrews 13:20-21 notice that God is the active agent; He is the one who “equips” us, and He is the one who is “working in us.” What does this say about our doing His will or doing what is pleasing in His sight. What’s His part, what’s ours?