**SERMON NOTES**

**Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus: The Superiority of Christ In All Things**

**A Sermon Series Through the Book of Hebrews**

**“So That What Is Lame May Be Healed”**

**Hebrews 12: 12 – 17**

**Theology is always \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. What you believe about God will have an effect on your life.**

**If you agree with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ about what He says of your sin and if then in response to that you have repented of your sin and turned to faith in Jesus’s work to save you from you, then you have begun the race of faith.**

**The Christian’s race of faith is one done in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**I am called as a believer to leave a race path for other believers that can be followed and an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to be seen.**

**The race of faith - the Christian life – was never designed to be done \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(Heb 3:13; 10: 24-25; 1 Thess 5:111; Romans 15:4; Colossians 3:16; Gal 6:1; Matt 18: 15-18).**

**The word translated *‘see to it’* in verse 15 is the word “episkopeó”. The word means to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, or to have oversight in someone’s life, to see that things are done in others rightly or correctly.**

**As a believer and member of a local church \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ am called by the word of God to “see to it” that no one fails to obtain the grace of God.**

**How might someone put themselves in a position to “fail to obtain the grace of God”?**

1. **Neglect to confess and fight \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**
2. **Neglect of God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**
3. **Neglect of gathering regularly with God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**How can you obey the command to “see to it that no one fail to obtain the grace of God?”**

1. **Be present here in the church so that you can speak into someone’s life and others can speak into yours.**
2. **Search around and see those who are irregularly or scarcely gathering and reach out to them.**
3. **Take time to ask others important questions like *“How is it going with you spiritually? How is your soul? Are you healthy spiritually? Do you feel like you're thriving or are you weakened? Are you struggling? How can I help you? How can I strengthen your hands that are hanging down? How can I lift you up”***

**Another concern that I, as believer and member of the church, are to “see to” is that no root of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ springs up.**

**A person who claims to know Christ but \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to let go of bitterness and unforgiveness in their heart against another is a contradiction what they claim to believe.**

**This phrase here “root of bitterness” comes from Deuteronomy 29: 18. In the context of that passage and Hebrews 12:15, the root of bitterness is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_who is causing turmoil or disruption in a church.**

**When someone shows themselves by their continual unrepentance to not be concerned for the things of God and therefore to have never really understood and believed the gospel, that is a dreadful and terrible thing and without correction and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it has a dreadful and terrible result.**

**God takes sexual sin seriously and He calls the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ here to do the same(1 Cor 6: 9-11; 1 Thess 4:3; Hebrews 13:4).**

**There is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ grace, mercy, forgiveness to be had. You are not your past sin. You are / can be washed free from sin when you repent and turn to Christ.**

**Esau gave up the long-term promise of God for a short term and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ pleasure.**

**Anyone who in sincerity comes to the Lord in grief, broken over their sin and seeking His forgiveness through the work of Jesus Christ crucified and resurrected for sinners will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it.**

**Do not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the opportunity to repent. There is grace and forgiveness available or you (“Today if you hear his voice do not harden your hearts”; “Don’t neglect the great salvation”).**

Blanks: practical; God; community; example; alone; oversee; I; sin; Word; people; bitterness; refuses; person; repentance; church; always; fleeting; receive; miss;

*“Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching.” 1 Timothy 4: 13*

Congregational Scripture Reading: Galatians 6: 1 -2

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.