



Open to Hebrews 12

One of the sad realities of human nature is our constant ability to take things for granted

- You know what I mean, I know
- Get something new, novel – wonderful. Yet quickly...bored
- Car, Jewelry, computer, home

Story of a man who was dissatisfied with his home, decided to move

- Called an agent to list his house
- Came and began getting the details
- Foot of a mountain, lush grass, good neighborhood, large modern house...etc
- When finished, guy had her read it again. Changed his mind on selling his house.

- Living where he always wanted, in his dream home...and lost sight of it

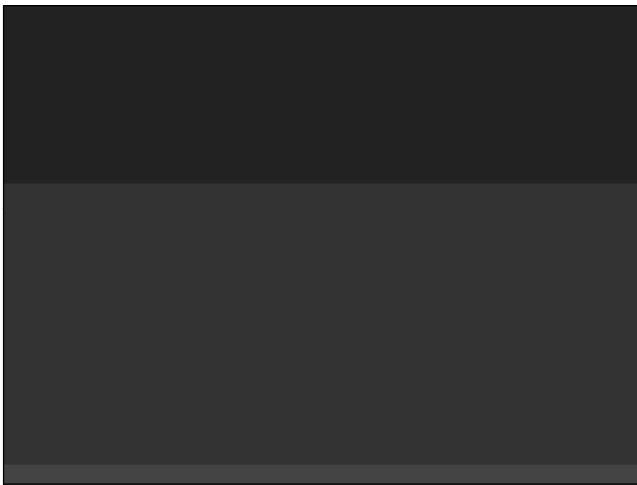
Such a reality is ours often, spiritually

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In Hebrews 12 – just called us to everything
Pursue God...and man – all Bible

Warned lest fall short (last week)

Now...just calls us to hear the tone, see the reality, to see what is before us and not take it for granted. May God enable

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<p>Exodus 19:10-20:21 Pg 432 in Church Bibles</p> 	

Lays out a comparison of what is not ours – not come to

Compares to what we have – have come to.

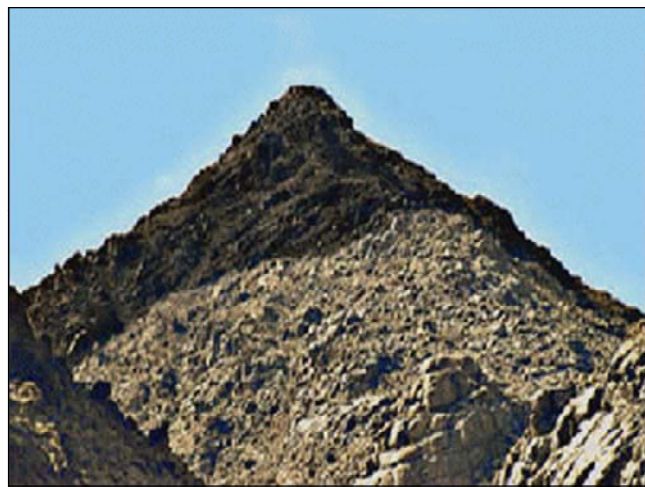
Let's begin with what is not our reality any longer. Turn to Exodus 19

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Try to imagine...feel



Picture of what is likely the real Mt Sinai.

Not the traditional one, In Galatians says is in Arabia...likely in Saudi Arabia.

More on Wednesday nights, later

Black on mountain, not clouds...

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Back to Hebrews- overview

Mountain – touchable... physical
earthly – here
Burned with fire...fearful,
consuming
Black, dark, tempest- feel
Sounds...hear
Begged not to hear – right

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This is what they say....

Now therefore, why should we die?
For this great fire will consume us; if
we hear the voice of the Lord our
God anymore, then we shall die.

Deuteronomy 5:25

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God hears

"Then the Lord heard the voice of
your words when you spoke to me,
and the Lord said to me: 'I have
heard the voice of the words of this
people which they have spoken to
you.

Deuteronomy 5:28-29

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They are right in all that they have spoken. Oh, that they had such a heart in them that they would fear Me and always keep all My commandments, that it might be well with them and with their children forever!

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God says they are right – they see this rightly, Him rightly – longs that they would not forget...that we would not forget

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Have come to...

Their response:

Could not endure...idea of do it, of able to accomplish

Could not approach – distant

Terrifying....wow.

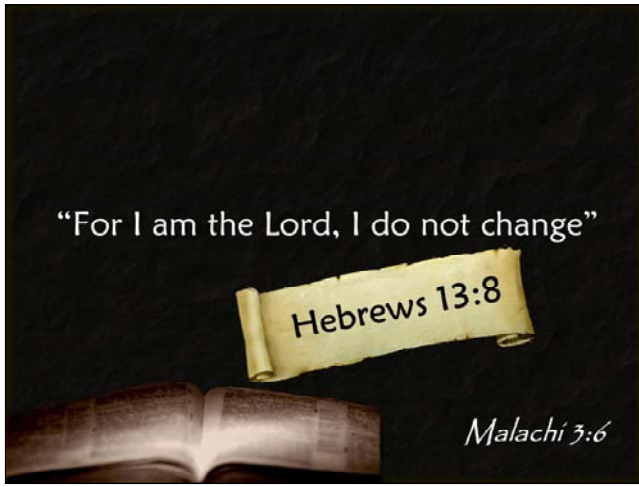
Key – this is covenant, relationship with God before Christ.

God did not change as some suppose – OT verses NT God

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God has not changed...He is the same today that He was then

What has changed is us...what has changed is Christ has come.

Yet, what is key is to see, hear, feel how hopeless, fearful it was without Christ

True in History

True in your life before Christ

True now, if not saved

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Danger – echoing last week

- danger of missing
- if miss Christ, this is yours
- for some then...going back to
- warning today

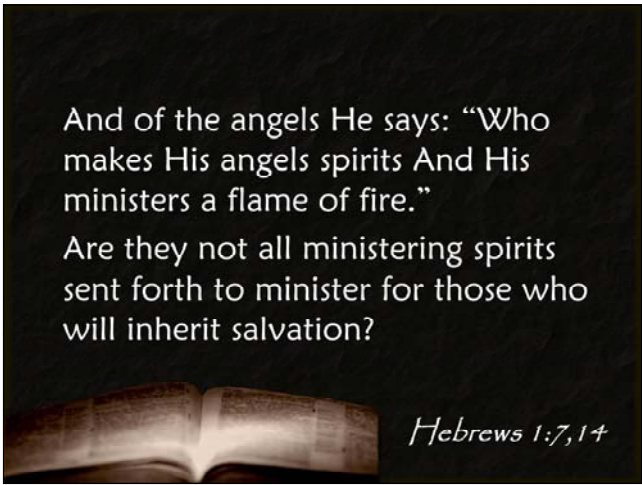
Have come to.

- not physical, earthly – but heavenly reality. God's city, city of the living God! Wow.
- innumerable angels. Perhaps comparison to fire....

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Serving us...for us

Wow..

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Festive gathering – translated differently in different Bibles
 - referring to angels or church?
 - Real point is it is celebration
 - Contrast to dark, black....

Church – lit assembling of those in Christ. Some see NT believers here and OT in description after the next. Maybe.
 - truth is, gathering in Christ is OT and NT – w/ Him in heaven
 - we will be together forever!

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God – judge of all. He is there, how...how can we stand before Him? Tells us

Made perfect. Contrast to what we could not do...He did. He made us perfect

Mediator. Contrast with could not approach...we approach in Christ

He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.

Hebrews 9:15

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For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus

1 Timothy 2:5

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His blood. Opposite fear....He has done...

Abel's blood cried out vengeance
Christ's blood cries out forgiveness

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And He said, "What have you done?
The voice of your brother's blood cries
out to Me from the ground.

Genesis 4:10

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let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience...



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Point...do you see what is yours?
Is it possible you have taken for granted what you, I have, what is before you?

See that you do not refuse Him who speaks – calls you

Salvation – don't refuse
His...hear Him who has done all for you...more than can imagine

Such a danger of losing sight of

Consider this account in Jesus life:

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Then one of the Pharisees asked Him to eat with him. And He went to the Pharisee's house, and sat down to eat.

And behold, a woman in the city who was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at the table in the Pharisee's house



Luke 7:36-47

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she...brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil, and stood at His feet behind Him weeping; and she began to wash His feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant oil.



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Now when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he spoke to himself, saying, "This Man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what manner of woman this is who is touching Him, for she is a sinner."

Luke 7:36-47

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And Jesus answered and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you."

So he said, "Teacher, say it."

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“There was a certain creditor who had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both.

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Tell Me, therefore, which of them will love him more?”

Simon answered and said, “I suppose the one whom he forgave more.”

And He said to him, “You have rightly judged.”

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Then He turned to the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman?"

I entered your house; you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has washed My feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head.

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ou gave Me no kiss, but this woman has not ceased to kiss My feet since the time I came in. You did not anoint My head with oil, but this woman has anointed My feet with fragrant oil.

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Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little."



Our problem – we have been forgiven much...so much done for us.

Yet, we forget, forget what God did...so we love little.

If we could see it, afresh, we would respond in love. We would pursue Him

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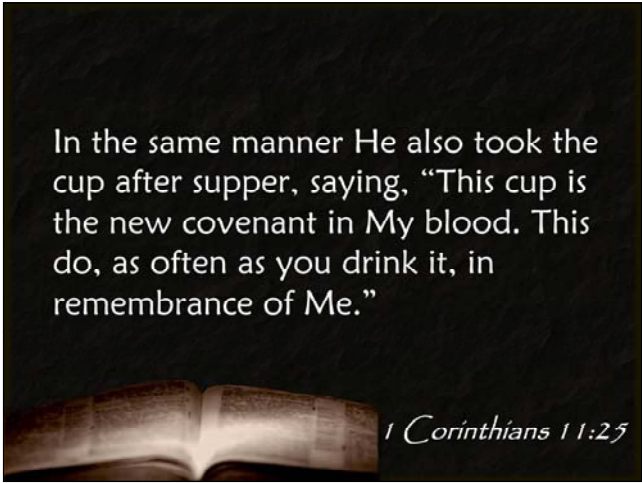
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We have a covenant with God in Christ so incredible - covenant is an agreement, basis of our relationship

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Jesus made a new covenant with us.

Lets celebrate this, by taking communion together today

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Need to see, remember what Jesus has done...

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As take bread.

Look on all that was yours, how black...hopeless, unbearable

Remember why He came, what He saved us from

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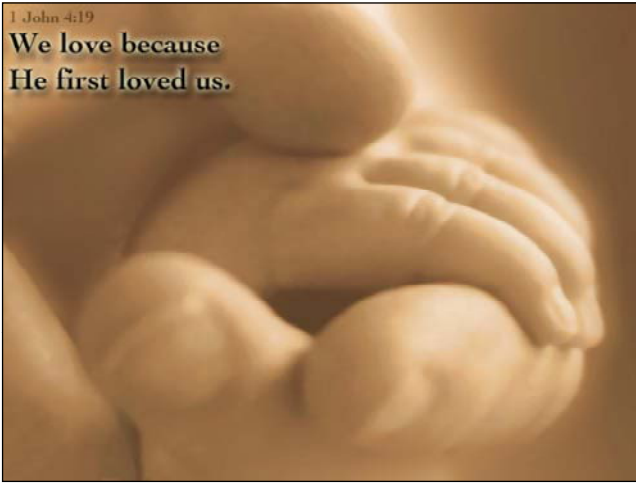
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1 John 4:19

**We love because
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