

## Unswerving Hope

### Scripture Reading — Hebrews 10:19-25

*Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. — Hebrews 10:23*

The book of Hebrews tells us how Jesus Christ makes possible a loving relationship between the holy God and his unholy people. Jesus has actually become our perfect priest, having made a sacrifice of himself in order that all God's people might be united with him. In today's verses the writer turns to talk about our response to God's gracious love in Christ. If God has done all this for us, how should we live?

One way is to live in hope—unswerving hope. But even here, as the writer turns to talk about what we should do, it's clear that unswerving hope is possible only because of the faithfulness of God. It is possible to hope in the promises of God because God keeps his promises. It is possible to hold unswervingly to the hope we profess because God, who promised the things we hope for, is faithful to keep those promises.

The writer of Hebrews also counsels his readers to continue meeting together regularly and encouraging each other. Worshiping or gathering with other Christians is an important way to hold unswervingly to the hope we profess. Other Christians are a valuable gift from God to encourage us in hope.

Do you meet regularly with other believers? If you don't, I urge you to find a Bible-believing church where you can be encouraged in your faith.

### Prayer

*Holy God, help us to stay true to the hope you have given us in Jesus Christ. Surround us with other Christians who will encourage us in this life of hope. Amen.*

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