

BETHEL SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Hebrews 10:23–25 – 05/19/24

STOP AND PRAY

Holy Spirit, open my heart and my mind to Your truth today! Then help me to be a Doer of the Word and not a Hearer only!

- 1) Have you ever found yourself attending a church service, but only going through the motions? Share your experience with your group. (NOTE: Be careful not to criticize or critique others/churches. Focus on what you were thinking, feeling, or experiencing)

Read Hebrews 10:19–22

- 2) According to these verses, on what basis are we able to gather and praise God together every week?

- 3) How should this reminder shape our understanding of Church attendance? What is the ultimate focus of gathering together?

Read Hebrews 10:23–25

- 4) What does the author of Hebrews tell us to do? Why?

- 5) What elements of the Church gathering do we see in these verses? How does each element stir us up to love and good works?
- a. Hebrews 10:23

 - b. Psalm 96:1–2

 - c. 1 Timothy 4:13

 - d. 1 Corinthians 2:2

 - e. James 5:16
- 6) Why is following Jesus alongside of his people so important? What do we miss when we neglect gathering altogether, or we neglect to meaningfully engage in corporate worship?
- 7) In what ways might you be tempted to avoid coming to Church or to just go through the motions? How is God prompting you to lean into Church more in the week ahead?

Take time to pray for each other.

Use this prayer as the theme of your prayer time: "*Heavenly Father, thank you for the gift of your people! Thank you that you walk alongside us, and give us other to come alongside as well. Help me to imitate you, serve your people, and hold my brother's and sister's accountable as we worship you as your body!*"