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### *What does Hebrews 13:8 mean?*

This verse connects two ideas:

- 1.honoring living examples of faith, and
2. the importance of consistent doctrine. To make this transition, the writer describes a crucial truth. Earlier, this chapter offered directions for Christian living (Hebrews 13:1–6). That included looking to the example of Christian leaders (Hebrews 13:7); such instruction echoes the depiction of legendary heroes given in chapter 11. A key theme of the book of Hebrews, in fact, is the idea that God's plan does not change. **Using Old Testament Scripture, the writer showed how the new covenant is not about God changing His mind, or His nature. Instead, it was always God's intent to replace the old covenant (Hebrews 8:6–8).**

In the same way, it's important to realize that the Christian faith is complete. Everything we need to know has already been revealed, even if some things we might want to know are yet to be seen (Mark 13:32; 1 John 3:2). Humanity may grow in our understanding of the truth (1 Timothy 3:9; 2 Peter 3:18; Colossians 1:26), but truth itself does not change. As the book of Jude phrases it, this was a faith given "once for all" to the world (Jude 1:3). Jesus instructed His disciples to pass along His teachings (Matthew 28:19–20), not to develop their own. Paul sought to confirm that the gospel he preached was exactly the same as that of the disciples (Galatians 2:1–10). Paul even declared a curse—twice over—on anyone who would change that message (Galatians 1:8–9).

This leads to an important application: the first step in recognizing false doctrine. Over time, self-labeled teachers have introduced "new" interpretations of the Bible, or of God, which overturn the basics of the faith itself. Sometimes, these relate to doctrinal issues. In other cases, they are claims about changing moral principles. By their very nature, all such claims are absolutely false. Jesus Christ does not change—and neither does His gospel. God does not change—and neither does His truth (Isaiah 40:28). This doesn't mean we can't come to a better understanding. It's good to move our beliefs closer to what God actually intended (Acts 17:11). But if a "new" teaching requires us to believe the apostles and Bible writers were mistaken, that claim is subject to the curse mentioned by Paul (1 Thessalonians 5:21).

In other words, if someone claims to know better, or differently, than the Bible, or to have a more accurate perspective than writers such as Paul, John, or Peter, that person is wrong. Period. Full stop. The following verses add to this point, warning Christians not to stray from established teachings. Other New Testament passages note this as one purpose for which God provided us with a written Word (1 Corinthians 4:6).

In its most immediate context, these words are meant to inspire confidence. Throughout the book of Hebrews, the writer has called on Christians to "hold fast" to faith despite hardship and persecution (Hebrews 3:6; 4:14; 6:18; 10:23). **Knowing that God is constant, and unchanging, is a cornerstone of trust. For the same reason, being reminded that Jesus and His gospel are timeless, changeless, and eternal should inspire believers to trust in what is true, rather than chasing fads or succumbing to fear (1 Timothy 6:20; 2 Timothy 4:3).**

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**We have a commitment, empowered by the Holy Spirit,  
To give glory to God  
To be unified in reaching others  
To be living witnesses for Christ**



*Welcome to the  
Palm Springs Church of Christ*

Greetings and a hearty welcome to all. It's encouraging to have you at this worship service. May you be abundantly blessed.

*"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. (Ephesians 6:18)"*

**Pray for our Church family:**

Please keep Byron in your prayers as he continues to suffer from chronic headaches. We also ask that you continue to pray for the improved health of: Mae Britton, Kerry Britton, Lynette Brink, Sue Collins, Phyllis Francis, Wanda Goodenough, Brenda Jones, John Leonard, Roy McDonald, Jeff Mercer, Jerry Munn, Dail Paramore, and Francis Pati.

**Pray for family & friends:**

Pray for Dail's sister Pat who was recently in a car accident, for Marjorie Counts who is in hospice care, for Dustin Parker's dad, Mike who continues to recover from a stroke and for Kerry's co-worker, George Dagnino who has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer. Pray for the improved health of: Michelle Candelario, Jim & Mary Ann D'Arcy, Mary Fields, Shyanna Francis, Joy Gabel Filippone, Keith & Lisa Britton, Kathy's husband Kevin, Derek Fields, Dail's friends Marie C. and Teddy K.

**First responders:** Please keep those who are serving their communities in your prayers: Alisha K. (EMT); Joanna Carter (Nurse), Luther Carter (Naval Officer), Jody Huggins and Jory Huggins (both MI Patrol Officers); Dr. Janice Massey of N.C.

**Military:**

Jeff Mercer's son-in-law Brandon Deusenberry, Glenn Fields, and Kathy's family T. Burgess and T. Cairo.

**Prayer Warriors Corner**

Father, we acknowledge Your power in creating us. We ask for strength as we boldly wear the name, Christian. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Power For Today: David Pounds; April 3, 2023  
Read: Genesis 2

**News:**

**To her reward-** Sister Rossie (Stobbs) Stansbury of Arkansas completed her life journey last Sunday, May 28. Rossie formerly lived in Desert Hot Springs and has been a blessing to many in God's kingdom. Our condolences to Brenda Jones, Rossie's step daughter.

**Men's meeting:** will be held in the fellowship room on June 10th at 10:00 a.m. Breakfast will be served.

**The Community Food Bank:** At this time, the most critically needed items are: 1 pound packs of spaghetti and canned pasta sauce. Other non-perishable items such as: small packs of rice and dried beans, Ramen/Cup of Noodles, Rice-A-Roni, canned tomatoes, & canned fruit are also welcome! Your donation is greatly appreciated.

**In Search of the Lord's Way:** Watch excellent Bible-based messages every Sunday, 7:30 a.m., on KCWQ, VHF channel 2 or UHF channel 26. Also Available ANY TIME online with YouTube. Just enter: SearchTVMinistry and pick a sermon. <https://youtu.be/FxMzZ6ZKMdQ>

**Scripture Readings:**

**Genesis 1:1 & 26,27:** In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground." So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

**John 1:1 & 14:** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

**Hebrews 13:8:** Jesus Christ the the same yesterday and today and forever.

**Sermon Topic:**

***"The same yesterday, today and forever"***

**Birthdays:**

Orlando Alejo:	6/5
Brenda Jones:	6/10
Kerry Britton:	6/14
Edgardo Gutierrez:	6/14
Lynette Brink:	6/18
Tamasi Letalu:	6/19

**Wedding Anniversaries:**

D & E Winings:	6/24
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**Bible study: Sunday @ 9:30 a.m.**

**Worship service: Sunday @ 10:30 a.m.**

**WORSHIP ORDER**

**WELCOME / OPENING PRAYER**

288: Fairest Lord Jesus (1-3)

383: Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross (1-3)

**COMMUNION & OFFERING: Luke 22:19-20**

679: 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus (1-3)

**INTERLUDE**

590: Jesus Is All the World to Me (1-3)

**SERMON**

**INVITATION**

162: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (1,2 & 4)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & CLOSING PRAYER**

While we continue to have in-person worship service on Sunday mornings, we understand that there are still many of our number that are still not comfortable attending. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you, and that you are truly missed. God bless us all and our families and loved ones too.

**Sermons on line:** For the most recent locally recorded sermon, simply go to the Palm Springs Church of Christ webpage and click on the "sermons" category at the top of the page.

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Tri Lakes Church of Christ in Monument, Colorado