

Life Within The Church

Hebrews 13:7-25



⁷ Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of *their* conduct. ⁸ Jesus Christ *is* the same yesterday, today, and forever. ⁹ Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines. For *it is* good that the heart be established by grace, not with foods which have not profited those who have been occupied with them.

¹⁰ We have an altar from which those who serve the tabernacle have no right to eat. ¹¹ For the bodies of those animals, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned outside the camp. ¹² Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate. ¹³ Therefore let us go forth to Him, outside the camp, bearing His reproach. ¹⁴ For here we have no continuing city, but we seek the one to come. ¹⁵ Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of *our* lips, giving thanks to His name. ¹⁶ But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

¹⁷ Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you.

¹⁸ Pray for us; for we are confident that we have a good conscience, in all things desiring to live honorably. ¹⁹ But I especially urge *you* to do this, that I may be restored to you the sooner.

²⁰ Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, ²¹ make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom *be* glory forever and ever. Amen.

²² And I appeal to you, brethren, bear with the word of exhortation, for I have written to you in few words. ²³ Know that *our* brother Timothy has been set free, with whom I shall see you if he comes shortly.

²⁴ Greet all those who rule over you, and all the saints. Those from Italy greet you.

²⁵ Grace *be* with you all. Amen.

1. Read Hebrews 13 verses 7 and 17. How should we treat our spiritual leader, our pastor?

2. What does the word “rule” mean in verse 7?

3. According to 1 Timothy 3:1-7, what characteristics should those who wish to lead have?

4. Read 1 Peter 5:1-4, how is he to lead?

5. What are we to follow in verse and consider 7?

6. What is the significance of verse 8?

7. What is the warning in verse 9?

8. What “altar” do we have in verses 10-16?

9. What camp is the writer of Hebrews encouraging them to abandon?

10. What sacrifices should now be offered?

11. Why should we obey those who lead us?

12. What should we do for those who lead us?
