

HEBREWS 6

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6:1-8

Does the author intend to continue feeding his readers with the spiritual milk he has said they need (5:12)? What approach does he believe will help them mature more effectively?

What 6 things are identified here as elementary or foundational teachings? Explain what each item means and why it may be considered an elementary teaching.

1. _____ (*Mark 1:4,15*):
2. _____ (*Heb 11:6*):
3. _____ (*Mark 1:8; Acts 19:1-5*):
4. _____ (*Acts 8:17-18; 19:6*):
5. _____ (*1 Cor 15:12-19*):
6. _____ (*Acts 10:42; 17:30-31; 24:25*):

What is meant by the phrase, "And this we will do, if God permits"?

In what ways is the experience of conversion described in vv. 4-5?

In what sense is it impossible to renew the apostate to repentance? Does this statement put a limit on God's mercy or man's responsiveness?

What imagery does the author use here? How does it illustrate his point? (*cf. Is 5:1-6*)

6:9-12

What expectation does the author express toward his readers? What reasons does he have to view them in this way?

How will God respond to their previous service? How might this influence His actions toward them? (*cf.* 6:3, 7-8)

What is the author's ultimate desire for these brethren? What is necessary on their part in order to reach this goal?

6:13-20

What promise does the author introduce here? (*Gen 22:16-17*) What promise has already been mentioned in the epistle? (*4:1*)

What did Abraham have to do in order to receive this promise? In what sense do you think he "obtained the promise"?

How did God show "the unchangeableness of His purpose"? Who did He aim to show this to?

What are the "two unchangeable things" the writer references here?

How does this promise to Abraham relate to the hope set before us?

What function should this hope serve in our lives? In what sense does this hope enter "within the veil"?

What makes it possible for us to "take hold" of such a hope?