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September 15th 2024 Hebrews Guest Speaker: Heather Gorman

Group Opener:

Play a Game: 2 Truths and a Lie

Share 3 things about yourself. 2 Truths and a 1 Lie. People will guess which one is the lie

Northeast Vision Target: We want to be a congregation who knows, honors, and reads the Bible

Question: In what ways would you like to improve when it comes to the Bible? What do you need to be intentional about doing when it comes to reading the Bible?

This week we looked at the Book of Hebrews
Purpose of Hebrews: Jesus is Greater
Summary line: When life is disorienting,
don't give up on your faith

The community behind this letter is tired. Exhausted. Ready to throw the towel in.

Have you been there before?

Read Hebrews 10:32-34

Question: Name something that you have struggled with or some type of suffering you have experienced recently?

Read John 16:33

Question: Jesus makes it clear that we will have trouble. Why are we surprised by that?

Read Hebrews 4:14-16

Jesus became like us in every respect.

-He knew betrayal

-He knew what it was to weep for a friend -He knew what it was like to be misunderstood and doubted by his family -He knew what it felt like to have religious leaders turn on him

-He knew what it felt like to be humiliated

One of the greatest verses in the Bible is **John 11:35. Jesus wept**. It shows us the human side of Jesus and later in the chapter we see the God side of Jesus as He brings Lazarus back from the dead.

Let us approach the throne of Grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in a time of need.

Read Hebrews 11:35-40

What jumps out to you in this verse?

Heather pointed out that if you think the Bible promises you an easy, comfortable life, I'm afraid you've been misled. That is the prosperity gospel, not the Gospel of Jesus.

Hebrews 12 tells us that we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses. That is the people of God. Meaning that we need each other on this journey.

When life gets hard, and it will
We need to look to one another
We need to look at Jesus

Question: How do we stop from growing weary in our faith?

Action Steps I will statement

Based on what God is teaching in Hebrews,
what should I do? Reflect for_a minute or two
and develop an action statement. Put it in the
form of. I will
Make it concrete, simple, and achievable.
Share your I Will statement with the group.

Pray Together

Take prayer requests

Pray for the person on your right