## **Our Response to the Glorious Gospel**

Text: Hebrews 10:19-25

<u>Main Idea</u>: The benefits of Christ's redemptive gospel enable & compel every believer to respond to God, ourselves and to others with life changing habits!

- 1. **The Summary**: We must \_\_\_\_\_\_ the Gospel Privileges accomplished in Christ! (v. 19-21)
  - We have \_\_\_\_\_\_ to God. (v. 19-20)
  - We have \_\_\_\_\_\_ with God. (v. 21)
- 2. **Our Response**: We must \_\_\_\_\_\_ appropriately to those Gospel Privileges! (v. 22-25)
  - To God: \_\_\_\_\_\_ near to God with Faith! (22)
    - With a \_\_\_\_\_\_ heart of trust & devotion.
    - With a \_\_\_\_\_\_ conscience of guilt.
    - With a \_\_\_\_\_\_ life.
  - To Ourselves: \_\_\_\_\_\_ on with Hope! (23)
    - Our confession must not \_\_\_\_\_!
    - Our trust must be in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God!
  - To Others: \_\_\_\_\_ one another with Love! (24-25)
    - Because love & good deeds don't come \_\_\_\_\_!
    - Because we truly need the blessings of \_\_\_\_\_\_ worship!
    - Because the \_\_\_\_\_\_ is near!

## **Application/Study Questions**

- 1. What is the significance of the word "therefore" at the beginning of v. 19? How is this "therefore" similar to the one in Romans 12:1, Ephesians 4:1? What shift is occurring in the author's argument?
- 2. In v. 19-20, the author summarizes two privileges of every believer. Notice the list... "*since*....and *since*..." How definitive are these privileges; are they certain, or possibilities? Who does he say is the recipient of these privileges (v. 19a)? Can you summarize these two privileges? What does the author say is the basis/foundation of these privileges? Do you realize that these privileges are yours? Are you utilizing/practicing them?
- 3. Notice that knowledge is intended to lead us to life change. The author assumes that because we know certain things that we will respond in 3 ways. Can you identify the three responses in v. 22-25 indicated by the phrase "Let us...?" Notice what we are to do, and to whom we are to do certain actions.
- 4. Evaluate yourself in each of these three areas. Have you properly responded to God the way the author says to respond (v. 22)? How about your own hope? Are you "holding on" properly (v. 23)? What is it that you are actually called to "hold on" to (think about the whole argument of Hebrews)? What motivation does the author give you to hold on to your faith (v. 23b)? What about your attitude toward others in the community at Ebenezer? What does the author say your responsibility is toward others (v. 24-25)? What practical things could you do to fulfill v. 24-25?
- 5. Why is it important not to neglect meeting together corporately for worship week after week? What is keeping you from making corporate worship a habit week after week? Are there other priorities that have possibly become idols in your life? (See 1 John 5:21) Is there someone in our congregation that you should "call & encourage" to come back and be faithful to worship? Why don't you know people by name whereby you could call them? What is keeping you from actively "stirring up" others? Confess your sin of *indifference/apathy* and ask the Lord to help you be more involved in the lives of the saints at Ebenezer BFC.