**HEBREWS 13 – Main: Those who value the future will live like it in the present**

**How do we do that?**

**1. Personal and moral responsibilities 13:1-6: Various aspects of love**

**A. In relation to other believers – 13:1**

**Show preference to those in the family – Gal. 6:7-10**

**What biblical love is like – 1 Jn. 4:10-11**

**B. In relation to hospitality – 13:2**

**Romans 12:13; 1 Pet. 4:9**

**A quality of leaders: 1 Tim. 3:2; Titus 1:8**

**C. In relation to those suffering for the faith – 13:3**

**Rom. 8:18; 2 Cor. 1:5-8; Phil. 1:7, 13-14, 18; Col. 1:24; 4:3, 18; 2 Tim. 1:8; 2:9; Philem. 1:10, 13; Heb. 10:34, 11:36; 1 Pet. 4:12-13**

**D. In relation to matters of purity – 13:4**

**1 Cor. 6:15-20; 1 Thess. 4:3-8**

**E. In relation to money – 13:5-6**

**Great promises surrounding money; 2 Cor. 9 and Phil. 4:10**

**2. False teachers and the need for grace 13:7-16**

**Stay grounded in truth or you risk losing necessary grace**

**13:7-9 - False teaching pulls you away from grace and a relationship with Jesus. Grace strengthens us. False teaching weakens us.**

**13:10-16 - The altar is different; the sacrifice is different; the worship is different; the result is better**

**3. Responsibilities to spiritual leaders 13:17**

**The principle of appointed authorities and roles**

* **Government – Rom. 13:1-7; 1 Pet. 2:11-17**
* **Home: Husband/wife; Parent/child; basis of society – Eph. 5:18-6:4; Col. 3:18-21; 1 Pet. 3:1-7**
* **Work/servants – Eph. 6:5-9; Col. 3:22-25; 1 Pet. 2:18-25**
* **Church – Acts 20:17-38; 1 Thess. 5:12-13; 1 Tim. 3:1-7; 5:17-20; Tit. 1; Heb. 13:17; 1 Pet. 5:1-5**

**The responsibility of church leaders is to watch over our lives**

**We are not to make following leadership more difficult**

**To do otherwise will result in consequences from the Lord**

**A rebellious spirit hurts lives now and later 2 Jn. 8; 1 Thess. 2**

**Bringing a local church to ruin brings our lives to ruin 1 Cor. 3:16**

**4. Closing remarks 18-25**

**13:18-19 - Prayer makes a difference**

**13:22 – The exhortation**

**13:23 – The relationships**

**13:24- 25 – The closing**

**If we stay faithful, we can have partnership with God’s Son who is both King and Priest**