

Kingdom of Priests Series

Let Us Statements in Hebrews

1. **Let us fear – 4:1** - Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it.
2. **Let us labor to enter in – 4:11** - Let us labor therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.
3. **Let us hold fast our confession – 4:14** - Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.
4. **Let us draw near with boldness – 4:16** - Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.
5. **Let us go on unto perfection – 6:1** - Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God.
6. **Let us draw near with a true heart – 10:22** - Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.
7. **Let us hold fast the confession of our faith – 10:23** - Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)
8. **Let us consider one another – 10:24-25** - And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.
9. **Let Us Throw Off What Hinders Us – 12:1a** - Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, **let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles.** (NIV)
10. **Let Us Run with Perseverance - 12:1b** - And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. (NIV)
11. **Let us fix our eyes on Jesus – 12:2** - **Let us fix our eyes on Jesus the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.** (NIV)
12. **Let us have grace – 12:28** - Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. For our God is a consuming fire.
13. **Let us therefore go to Him outside the camp – 13:13** - Therefore let us go forth to Him, outside the camp, bearing His reproach.

14. Let us offer the sacrifice of praise – 13:15 - 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.

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“A Kingdom Which Cannot Be Shaken”

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12. Let Us Have Grace

Hebrews 12:28-29 “Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. For our God is a consuming fire.”

- Believers are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken.
- Christians receive it by God’s grace.
- Serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear.
- For Our God is a consuming fire.

13. Let Us Go Forth to Him

Hebrews 13:13-14 “Therefore let us go forth to Him, outside the camp, bearing His reproach. For here we have no continuing city, but we seek the one to come.”

- The author compares Christ and the new covenant with the old covenant.
- Typology

Hebrews 9:7 “But only the high priest entered the inner room, and that only once a year, and never without blood, which he offered for himself and for the sins the people had committed in ignorance.”

- One day each year the high priest carried blood of animals into God’s presence, the most Holy Place, as a sin offering for the entire nation.

The Day of Atonement

Exodus 29:14 But the flesh of the bull, with its skin and its offal, you shall burn with fire outside the camp. It is a sin offering.

- The bodies of the slain animals were burned outside the camp.

Let us go forth to him outside the camp.

- When Christians suffer for the cause of Christ, they go out to him outside the camp and bear the disgrace he bore.
- Christ existed outside of the comfort and security of the Jewish system.
- Believers must go and stand with him.

Separate Yourself from the World and False Religious Systems

2 Corinthians 6:17-18 “Come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you.” “I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the LORD Almighty.”

We Are Citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven

Hebrews 13:14 For this world is not our home; we are looking forward to our city in heaven, which is yet to come.

- We are joining the suffering Christ because this world is not our home.
- Our true citizenship is in heaven.

Life on earth is temporary; Christians live here as foreigners.

1 Peter 2:11 Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul.

Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:19-21 Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

14. Let Us Continually Offer the Sacrifice of Praise to God.

Hebrews 13:15-16 “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**. But do not forget **to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.**”

“God is Well Pleased” with Spiritual Sacrifices

1. Praise
2. Thanks
3. Doing Good
4. Sharing

Add a fifth sacrifice to follow the pattern of Jesus

5. Intercession

Romans 12:1-2 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

We are Living Stones in God's Spiritual House, a Holy Priesthood

1 Peter 2:4-5 "Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious, you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."