

Practical Service to God
Hebrews 13:1-6

As we come to Hebrews 13, the author begins to give a number of commands in a kind of rapid-fire approach. These commands are not just good moral instructions tacked on to the end of the book of Hebrews, however; they actually flow out of everything we've seen in the book of Hebrews. In other words, these commands flow out of the Gospel. Though these commands are demanding for us, they are good news because they reflect the good character of God and they reflect what God is doing in Christ in the new covenant in our lives.

Opening Question: When did you first get serious about actually seeking to obey God in response to His grace?

Read Hebrews 12:28-13:6

1. What are the commands in this passage?

2. How do the commands in these verses connect to 12:28-29?

3. How demanding do these commands seem to you?

Use the following questions for each of the commands:

4. What is the "heart" of what is being commanded?

5. Why is this command "good news" (an expression of the gospel)?

6. Does this command ever seem burdensome or unreasonable to you? If so, why?

7. What questions do you have about this command (or this area of obedience)?

8. What are the personal implications for you right now in this command?