**Lesson for Midday and Evening Becoming Sessions**

**Hebrews 10:19-39**

**A Call to Persevere**

**Lesson Central Idea**

Being A Christian Is Not About Moving ***Backwards*** In Unbelief

Being A Christian Is About Moving ***Forward*** In Faith

**OPEN IT**

* When in your life did you “hang in there” the longest in the face of an extremely difficult situation?
* Who has encouraged you the most in the last six months?
* How highly do you value perseverance in your life?

**EXPLORE IT**

* Why did the author say that those under the new covenant could draw near to God? (10:19-22)
* What has Jesus done for those under the new covenant? (10:20)
* What privilege comes to those who are part of the “house of God? (10:22)
* What must happen before a person can draw near to God? (10:22)
* What happens to the guilty conscience of those who put their faith in Christ? (10:22)
* Why are Christians able to persevere in following Christ? (10:23)
* What kind of behavior should believers in Christ exhibit toward one another? (10:24-25)
* What will happen to God’s enemies? (10:26-27)
* Why is rejecting Christ more serious than rejecting the old covenant? (10:28-29)
* What did the author consider “a dreadful thing”? (10:31)
* How had the Hebrew Christians responded to persecution at first? (10:32-34)
* What is promised to those who persevere? (10:35-39)

**GET IT**

* How does the complete forgiveness and help offered by Christ motivate you to draw near to God?
* When in your life have you felt the cleanest or most innocent? Why?
* How could someone best spur you on “toward love and good deeds”?
* How do you personally feel about going to church or involvement in Christian groups?
* How does the certainty of God’s judgment challenge you?
* What is behind the ups and downs in your spiritual journey?

**APPLY IT**

* What is one small project you could complete today to encourage a Christian friend to persevere in his or her faith?
* What can you do differently in your devotional times this week to “draw near to God”?
* Since we are called to live by faith (10:38), what is one bold step of trust in God you can take today?

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**BILLBOARD**

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