REDEMPTION LIFE F E L L O W S H I P

Life Group Leader's Guide: Hebrews 6:11-20

Session Title: Hope Anchored in God's Promises

In this sermon, we are drawn into the profound message of Hebrews 6:11-20, which centers on the theme of hope anchored in God's promises. The message highlights the steadfast nature of God's word, emphasizing His unchanging character and the assurance we find in Jesus Christ. Through the lens of this passage, we are reminded that our hope is not merely a wishful thought but a secure anchor for our souls, rooted in the completed work of Jesus. This hope is transformative, encouraging us to persevere in our faith and live with a confident expectation of God's promises being fulfilled.

The sermon also explores the role of Jesus as our high priest and forerunner, who has entered the holy of holies on our behalf, securing our hope and acting as our intercessor. By understanding the depth of God's commitment to His promises, we are invited to reflect on where we place our hope and how we can actively demonstrate Christlikeness in our daily lives. The message inspires a deeper relationship with Jesus, encouraging us to live out the Gospel with assurance and joy, knowing that our hope is securely anchored in Him.

Section 1: Going Deeper

Key Biblical Points:

1. **The Certainty of God's Promises**: God's promises are unchangeable and guaranteed by His character and oath.

- 2. **Jesus as the Forerunner**: Jesus has entered the holy of holies on our behalf, securing our hope and acting as our high priest.
- 3. **Hope as an Anchor**: Our hope in Christ is not wishful thinking but a steadfast anchor for our souls.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. How does the unchanging character of God provide assurance in our faith journey?
 - Reflect on how God's nature as unchangeable and truthful impacts your trust in His promises.
- 2. In what ways does Jesus' role as our high priest and forerunner enhance our understanding of the Gospel?
 - Discuss how Jesus' intercession and sacrifice fulfill the promises made to Abraham and extend to us today.
- 3. What does it mean for hope to be an "anchor of the soul"? How does this metaphor relate to the Gospel?
 - Consider how the Gospel provides stability and security in the midst of life's uncertainties.

Section 2: Application Questions

Practical Applications:

- 1. Evaluating Our Source of Hope:
 - Reflect on where you currently find your hope. Is it in temporary things or in the eternal promises of God?
 - Action Step: Identify one area where you need to shift your hope from worldly sources to Christ.

2. Demonstrating Christlikeness:

- How are you actively growing in Christlikeness in your daily life?
- Action Step: Choose one characteristic of Christ to intentionally cultivate this week (e.g., patience, kindness, humility).
- 3. Living with Encouragement:
 - Are you living a life that reflects the encouragement found in Christ? Why or why not?

• Action Step: Encourage someone in your life this week by sharing a promise of God that has been meaningful to you.

Living Out the Gospel:

- **Daily Reflection**: Spend time each day meditating on a promise of God and how it is fulfilled in Jesus.
- **Community Engagement**: Share your hope in Christ with someone who may be struggling, offering them the encouragement found in the Gospel.

Personal Prayer Prompt

Heavenly Father, thank You for the unchanging nature of Your promises and the hope we have in Jesus. Help me to anchor my soul in the certainty of Your Word and to live out the Gospel in my daily life. Guide me to grow in Christlikeness and to be a source of encouragement to others. May my life reflect the hope and assurance that comes from knowing You. In Jesus' name, Amen.