

Study Guide Vision Sunday

Hebrews 10:24-25

24 And let us consider how we may **spur** one another on toward love and good deeds, **25** not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

1. "Spur" (paroxusmos) to jab; incitement to good or dispute in anger. (Strong's Concordance). Discuss an experience you have had in "spurring" someone else towards love and good deeds.

2. Discuss saving faith and works based on these two passages.

Eph. 2:8-10

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, 'not a result of works [of the law], so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works [of love], which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

James 2:14 & 17

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What is the difference between works of love that come from a grateful heart vs. works of the law that stem from fear, obligation and guilt?

3. How are faith and works linked to one another in Scripture? Discuss.

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b. Faith with bad works (Titus 1:16)

"They profess to know God, but they deny Him by their works." (Titus 1:16)

c. Faith with works of the law

"They did not submit to the righteousness of God." (Romans 10:3)

d. Works without faith

"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven." (Matt. 7:21)

e. Faith evidenced by works of love.

"...who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works." (Titus 2:14)

4. How can we do a better job of "spurring" each other towards love and good deeds? Discuss.

Message Slides**1. I care enough to..."spur"****Hebrews 10:24-25**

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Paul- "By works of the law no one will be justified" (*Gal. 2:16; Rom. 3:20*)

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3. How do we encourage one another?

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a. Truth

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b. Mission

Luke Cawley, The Myth of the Non-Christian

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a. plausible- Is it true? *(Share Scripture with them)*

b. tangible- Is it real? *(Share life with them)*

c. desirable- Is it attractive? (*Share your excitement with them*)

Graphic- CFC Historical Markers

Graphic- Expanding our Base to Expand our Impact

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