

# LIFE GROUP GUIDE

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Oct 30, Nov 2

**A Better Priesthood**  
**Hebrews 7:1-28**

## **Connect (15-20 mins)**

**\*If you spent time serving last week, spend this week's group time debriefing and reflecting on the experience. Use the [Life Group Serve Guide](#) and go through pages 9-11 for your debrief time.**

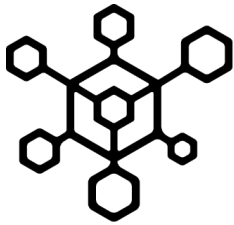
1. Follow up on any prayer requests from last week. Share highs and lows or updates as you settle in. You can also find our list of 100 Ice Breaker Questions in our Leader Tool Kit in your [Well account](#).

## **Grow (5-10 mins)**

2. In last week's Practice, you were encouraged to pray and ask the Lord to reveal what you've relied on for assurance, and reflect on your true assurance in His finished work on the cross. How were you encouraged by this? Did it reveal any new observations?

## **Share (45-60 mins)**

3. Was there anything that stuck out to you from this week's sermon? Any questions you had?
4. We are now past the halfway point of Hebrews. In what ways has your view of Christ gotten bigger thus far in our study? What has been the most personally impactful truth you've encountered?
5. Read Colossians 1:19-22. What does it mean to grow in godliness if we're already fully reconciled and as close to God as we can be in Christ?
6. Hebrews 7:26 says that Jesus is "holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners and exalted above the heavens." How does His purity and perfection both comfort you and confront you in your current wrestling with sin?
7. Read Philippians 2:12-13. How might you take active steps in living in light of your salvation in Christ? Consider inviting your group into accountability in this, that they may spur you on to love of God and others along with good works for His glory (Hebrews 10:24).



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## **Practice: Experiencing Ongoing Freedom**

Praise be to God that we have Jesus as a better priesthood. He who has given himself as a sacrifice, who is exalted above the heavens, who is eternal and is not limited by physical limitations but rather who was exalted to such a place according to the power of an indestructible life (Verse 16), has interceded on our behalf one and for all. Aaron and the other priests could help address the consequences of sin by offering up sacrifices, but they could not deal with the greater issue of the presence of sin in our lives.

Because of Christ, we are now seen in His righteousness, restoring our relationship to him. However, we are in the “already, not yet”, meaning that we are saved, but we are not yet perfected this side of heaven, working out our faith with the Lord in this messy process of life with God. Take a moment to go approach the Lord and continue wrestling with the influence of sin in your life. Work towards growing in Christ likeness, maturing in your faith.

### **Pray Psalm 139:23-24**

*“Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my anxious thoughts; and see if there be any hurtful way in me, and lead me in the everlasting way.”*

What is the Lord bringing to your attention? Has he revealed anything new to you? Is the same sin issue expressing itself in another way? Whatever it may be, continue to bind yourself in the truth of His Word that he has already interceded for you and now you get to walk with him to work out sin in your life.

**Take an extra step:** Is there any action the Spirit might be stirring in you to trust him with? Seek out one of your group members and share with them. It’s good to acknowledge a sin issue, but addressing it with the Lord and with others brings healing.

**Additional Resources:** If during this time, something comes up after processing with the Lord and a trusted friend, that feels like it could use more attention to. Consider Re:gen on Monday Nights at 6:30pm.

**For next week:** Read Hebrews 8:1-13:

Write in a journal or the margins of your bible

- What did this passage teach you about God?
- What questions do you have?
- What is one thing you can apply to your life from this passage?