

Hebrews: The Complete Work of Christ
Confidence in the Blood of Jesus
Hebrews 10:19-25

We have developed the ability to compartmentalize our thoughts to the point that through a postmodern worldview, some people are able to see two differing and opposing views as both being true. Not only have we learned to compartmentalize our thoughts, but we have also been able to separate our thoughts from our actions. Our society finds it easy to say one thing and do another.

1. Let us draw near to God.
2. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope.
3. Let us consider one another.

God knew that people would be inclined to compartmentalize faith and separate the mind from the heart. Throughout the Old Testament God reminded His people that the only way they will be able to truly follow him, is if their faith becomes a matter of the heart. The same is true today. The writer of Hebrews reminds us that the right understanding of the blood of Jesus is necessary, but just as necessary is motivations, desires, and actions that should come when the blood of Jesus through faith, grips our hearts.

For further consideration:

Why is the blood of Christ an important doctrine for Christians? What would Christianity lose if the blood language were removed? What does Christ's blood make possible for us? Why are we able to draw near to God with a true heart and full assurance? To what or to whom will you turn if you begin to feel less than assured of your faith? What is our confession of hope and why is it imperative that we do not lose this confession? What role does the faithfulness of God play in our ability to hold fast our confession? Why do we need the church? What should the church offer to an individual believer that he cannot get elsewhere or on his own? What should we be doing to build confidence in each other to love God more deeply and serve others more passionately? Are there any attitudes about the church that you need to change in order for you to consider it as highly as the Writer of Hebrews does?