

Hebrews Lesson 26

Chapter 6

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Vs 2 “...laying on of hands”

- This was a common Old Testament practice.
 - Genesis 48:14
 - Numbers 27:18, 23
 - Deuteronomy 34:9
 - Leviticus 4:15, 8:14, 18, 22, 16:21, 24:14
 - Putting hands on the sacrifice testified that a man was “one with the sacrifice.”
- This was a New Testament practice.
 - Acts 6:6, 8:17-19, 1 Tim 4:14, 5:22; Mark 16:18
 - Putting hands on a man and sending him out for ministry testified that “we have part with this man.”

“...and of resurrection of the dead.”

- In addition to the verses that record a person being raised from the dead, there are verses that show that the Old Testament saints believed in resurrection.
 - **Isaiah 26:19**, “Thy dead men shall live...the earth shall cast out the dead.”
 - **Job 19:25-27**, “Though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God.”
 - **Daniel 12:2**, “Many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake...”
 - **Ezekiel 37:1-14**, “I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live” (vs 5).

REPENTANCE

“...not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works.”

- Repentance is not a mere confession of sins.
- Repentance is not sorrow and weeping because of the trouble we brought on ourselves by sinning.
- Repentance is not strong feelings of emotion.
- Repentance is not deep conviction and remorse for sin. (Felix, Herod, Judas).
- Repentance is not a glad hearing of the gospel or a compliance with its outward requirements.

True repentance embraces:

- Conviction of sin (your sin bothers you).
- Contrition or regret for sin.
- Confession of sin (admit you’re a sinner).
- Abandonment of sin.

When you witness, don't aim to get somebody to pray a prayer so you can convince them they're saved. If they don't repent, they won't be saved.

Don't push for a prayer if someone isn't ready to repent. They may still need to process some things:

- Their conscience needs to be awakened by oppressive guilt.
- They must understand that they are in eternal danger.
- They begin to hate their sin.
- Light enters their life of darkness.
- Their heart begins to soften.
- They begin to receive the truth of God's word.

Repentance is absolutely necessary for salvation.

The doctrine of Christ is:

- Repentance from dead works
- Faith toward God
- The doctrine of baptisms
- The doctrine of laying on of hands
- The doctrine of the resurrection of the dead
- The doctrine of eternal judgment

Vs 3 "This will we do, if God permit."

- Leave the foundational doctrines, build upon them, and go on to other biblical doctrines, putting them into practice.