

# BECAUSE AND THEREFORE...

Hebrews 13.1-6 // March 1, 2026

## INDICATIVES AND IMPERATIVES

**Indicatives:** are facts, truths, and realities. They are the “because” statements and foundation and fuel. Indicatives “indicate” and point us to some kind of reality or truth.

**Imperatives:** are commands, the things we ought to do in light of the indicatives. These are the “therefores” that flow from the “because.”

Religion says, “I obey [imperative], therefore I’m accepted [indicative].”

Faith says, “I am accepted [indicative], therefore I obey [imperative].”

Empty religion works *towards* acceptance,  
Faith flows *from* acceptance.

## THEREFORE...

- **Hospitality to Strangers:** Biblical hospitality is not just about welcoming friends into your home and being kind, but the Greek word is “philoxenia,” which means “love for strangers or foreigners.”
- **Remember Those in Prison and the Mistreated:** We also ought to have compassion on those who are in hard times, even putting ourselves in their shoes for the sake of loving them well.

Love without truth is sentimentality; it supports and affirms us  
but keeps us in denial about our flaws.

Truth without love is harshness; it gives us information  
but in such a way that we cannot really hear it.

-Tim Keller

- **Marriage:** The design of marriage is to be a billboard and reflection of the Gospel. Marriage and sexuality is *not* about us, but it is about God, and it ought to be held in honor in every way.

Rather than us being conformed into the image of God,  
We want to conform God into the image of us.

- **Free from the Love of Money:** Put your treasure where you *want* your heart to be, and your heart will follow.

## BECAUSE...

Psalm 118.5-9 // Psalm 27.1

*Because* God will never leave us nor forsake us, we do not have to have any fear when we invest our lives into His Kingdom that He has invited us into, because it is a Kingdom that cannot be shaken.

## NOTES:

### Announcements:

**Community Meal:** Today, after service! Join us for some Irish food and fellowship together.

**Women’s Gathering:** Tomorrow, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 7-8:30pm at Carrie Erdos’ house. We will be continuing our study in the book of James

### This Week’s Call to Worship Psalm:

Psalm 98.1-4

### This Week’s Scripture to Memorize:

Romans 5:18

Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men.

## ARE YOU NEW HERE?

### WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We’d love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you’ll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

### WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens’ ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at [amber@lifemission.tv](mailto:amber@lifemission.tv)**

### JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not “graduate the faith” when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at [tyler@lifemission.tv](mailto:tyler@lifemission.tv)**.

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## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Open the evening reciting the **Memory Verse** together. Then open to the **Call to Worship Psalm** and have someone open the night by *praying* the Psalm.

Read **Hebrews 13.1-6**. What stands out here or from Sunday's sermon?

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### Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

The bible is *filled* with many commands and imperatives, but how does the idea that they *flow from* Gospel indicatives change the way that we walk these out? How do the indicatives found in these verses in **Hebrew 13** help us walk out these "therefores" in a meaningful, Spirit fueled way?

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### Your Life Mission

Having God's freely given grace does *not* mean that we then *therefore* sit around and just soak it up. We are to *do something* in light of this incredible grace given! We "go, therefore," not out of a fear of punishment or disfavor, but *because* God has already saved us, accepted us, and is now sending us to joyfully and fervently share this truth with others.

We were saved to be sent! What relationships or conversations would you like prayer for? What relationships or upcoming conversations would you like prayer for as you seek to be a person fueled by the Gospel of God's grace?

Close the Community Group by praying through the pattern of the Lord's Prayer!

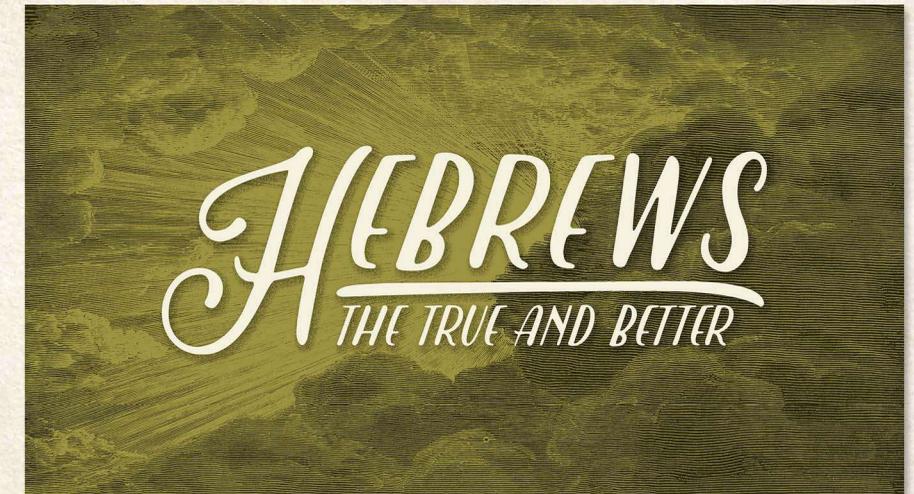
### THE LORD'S P.R.A.Y.er MODEL

- **Preaching the Gospel to Yourself (Matthew 6.9, 10)**
- **Repent and Confess (Matthew 6.12)**
- **Ask for Provision (Matthew 6.11-13)**
- **Yield with Thanksgiving (Matthew 6.10)**

Father, be glorified in \_\_\_\_\_, let Your Kingdom and will be done, in and through \_\_\_\_\_ as it is in Heaven.

Give \_\_\_\_\_ daily bread, and thank You for Your forgiveness.  
Help \_\_\_\_\_ to forgive \_\_\_\_\_,  
because You are the One who has forgiven us.

Keep \_\_\_\_\_ eyes fixed on You and Your Word and promises so that \_\_\_\_\_ may not sin against You.  
Thank You for and help me trust Your sovereign love.



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### SUNDAYS AT 10AM

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