

ANALYSIS:

1. How have some people entertained angels unawares?

2. What are we taught about covetousness? _____

3. Why did Jesus suffer without the gate? _____

4. What are acceptable sacrifices we can offer to God?

5. What works (one past, one present) are attributed to the God of peace? _____

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

As the Lord's people, we are commanded to "remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God" (v 7). We are to "follow" their faith and consider the goal they seek in our spiritual growth. And, furthermore, we are to "obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves" (v 17). Godly pastors "watch for your souls" that they may give a good account to the Chief Shepherd for you and me. We have such a pastor! Our failures to grow are a present grief to our man of God, and very unprofitable for us both now and at the judgment seat of Christ (II Cor 5:10-11).

As we are taught how to live more pleasing to our Lord, let us willingly, yea, eagerly, respond by using and applying the teaching so we will grow. By our growth we ease our pastor's burdens for us, and we reward him for his efforts to advance our spiritual lives.

HELP:

1. By entertaining strangers (v 2).

2. We are to avoid covetousness, and be content with such things as we have (v 5).

3. That He might sanctify the people with His own blood (v 12).

4. The sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name; and not forgetting to do good and to communicate (vs 15-16).

5. In the past: He brought the Lord Jesus from the dead; Presently, He is working to make His people perfect in every good work (vs 20-21).