

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 10:19-25 (NIV)

¹⁹ Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. ²⁵ Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

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Romans 12:5 (NIV)

⁵ so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.

1 John 1:7 (NIV)

⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

2. Let us encourage one another

Romans 15:4-5 (NIV)

⁴ For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

⁵ May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus,

3. As you see the Day approaching

Hebrews 9:28 (NIV)

²⁸ so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people; and he will

appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.