



Week 1 • Don't Give Up On Justice For All

Christ was made low, like humans. He came into the world to sanctify all people. He could have destroyed it and been done with us all – the Flood. He could have waved a “magic wand” but He chose to show love, to all. Because, love isn’t shown from afar, it shows up, it marches, it sits at counters and sacrifices for others. Love is a verb!

Week 2 • Don't Stop Believin(g)

We, Christians, are the continuation of God's great plan. God sends His people out of Egypt and makes His people a great light for the world to see. This continues “today.” Today we are the light bringers. At baptism God enlists us to bring our light into the world. We get to pray out loud. We get to show people how God is working in their life. We get to be the very presence of God, “partners with Christ” wherever we find ourselves.

Week 3 • Don't Stop Being Authentic

Our submission is admission. To confess. To recognize that we aren't perfect and then to come, again and again, back to Christ. To say to Christ and anyone who's looking “I have failed to live the life I want to live.” But instead of lowering the bar, instead of accepting things for how they are — we seek Christ and His reconciliation. The purpose of a Christian life isn't about how perfect we are, it's about how “real” we are when we fall short.

Week 4 • Don't Give Up on Community

During the pandemic we have had to give up on gathering together in person. Yet, we are called to be a gathered people — to congregating as a people of God and worship, praise and gather around the table to be fed. Now that we are slowly gathering back together, how can we support one another? How can we be the church in the world that God has called us to be?

Week 5 • Don't Give Up on Stepping Out in Faith

Have you ever heard that faith is belief in action? This chapter in Hebrews outlines a number of heroes of the Bible. All of these heroes of faith struggled with taking the first step. And yet all of them changed the world. What would it mean for us to step out in faith, even when we're not sure where that foot will land?

Week 6 • Don't Give Up on Yourself

What are some goals you have set for yourself? Exercise more? Do you start to better yourself, but find you are your own worst enemy? We may give up on ourselves, but Jesus never does. Jesus has faith in us. And Jesus gives us power to run the race.

Week 7 • Don't Give Up on Wholeness

Do you ever wake up feeling dreary because of the winter weather? Do you miss spring and summer? Sometimes, those outside factors can lead to feelings of emptiness. Is there any tangible way to find healing and wholeness in the Word? Here in Hebrews, we read that Jesus never gives up on us. With the empowerment from Jesus, we can strive for wholeness.