God & *The Church #*2 – *Hebrews* 10:19-25

(God Series: Lesson 7 2 Chronicles 7:13-14) Outline By: Mark Knowles 3/11/18 AM

Introduction

1. We are called, saved, added to the church. But we have not grasped the reality in life. We need to practice the oneness of Jesus with one another.

I. Our Text – Hebrews 10:19-25

- a. "Let us" passages...
 - i. Let us love and provoke one another to good works (v24-25). Faithfulness in church attendance encourages others and provokes them to love and good deeds. Why? Because Jesus is coming soon, and we are preparing to meet Him.
 - **ii.** Let us hold our confession as a vow (v23). When a Christian has his hope fixed on Christ, and relies on the faithfulness of God, then he will not waver. We won't look back but ahead to Jesus ("together)!
 - *iii.* Let us draw near with a good heart (v22).
- **b.** Life is in the church...
 - i. We are to be Jesus by being saved by grace and created to do good works (v21,20,19).
 - **ii.** The church is the body, the community, the family of God, yes the love of God (Ephesians 5:23-27).
 - iii. We grow spiritually together never apart (Ephesians 2:12-22; 4:1-7, 12-16).
 - iv. Christianity is life! Personal growth is determined by church growth.

II. <u>The Church</u>

- **a.** Where is Jesus? In the church.
 - i. "Church life" is dependence—ultimate dependence upon God and daily dependence upon each other. "I need you and you need me—all the time."
 - ii. Do you wish to get closer to God? Then you must spend time with God. It takes time, effort, sacrifice. Some can admit a dependence upon God; few dare to admit a dependence upon the church!
 - iii. We must be the family of God and love one another. May we be filled with the fullness of God in the church (Ephesians 3:14-19).