Jesus, Our New and Living Sacrifice

Open The Conversation: Share something good from this week.

Key Scripture: Read the following together.

"Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, and having a High Priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching."

Hebrews 10:19-25

- 1. What does this scripture tell me about me?
- 2. What does this scripture tell me about God?

Start Sharing: Choose one question to start the conversation, move onto others if time allows.

- The sacrifice of Jesus is described as a "new and living way." How can we ensure that our understanding and relationship with Jesus remains fresh and not stale over time?
- Why do you think the author of Hebrews emphasizes that Jesus tore the veil wide open for us, and how does that image impact your understanding of God's accessibility to us?
- In verse 22, we are encouraged to draw near to God with a true heart in full assurance of faith. What does it look like to approach God with this kind of confidence, and what might hinder us from doing so?
- The author speaks about hearts being "sprinkled from an evil conscience" and bodies being "washed with pure water" (verse 22). How do these metaphors help us understand the importance of purity and repentance in our walk with God?
- Hebrews 10:23 calls us to "hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering." In what ways can we strengthen each other to remain firm in our faith when external pressures challenge our belief?
- In verse 24, the author encourages us to consider one another in order to stir up love and good works. What are some practical ways we can consider each other to stir up this love and good works?

Start Praying: Pray together and for one another.

"God, help us to draw near you daily. We yearn to walk close to you daily and be transformed by your goodness. Thank you for providing full access to You. Amen."