



WHERE TO FIND HELP

“Seeing Beyond Your Problems” Hebrews 5:7-6:12

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At Christmas time we celebrate the fact that “the Word become flesh.” What happened “during the days of His flesh” is of great importance to us if we are to handle our problems properly.

I. Looking into Problems.

- A. Problems arising from our own nature. 5:1-2
 - 1. Problems of distance—“matters related to God.”
 - 2. Problems of ignorance.
 - 3. Problems of waywardness.
 - 4. Problems of weakness.
 - 5. Problems of sinfulness.
- B. Problems arising from our own culture. 10:32f
 - 1. Problems with pain.
 - 2. Problems with people.
 - 3. Problems with property.

II. Seeing Beyond Problems.

- A. Seeing the experience of Christ.
 - 1. The pain He suffered. v. 8
 - a. He endured the cross. 12:2
 - b. He endured the opposition. 12:3
 - 2. The prayers He offered. v. 7
 - a. The right attitude—reverent submission.
 - b. The right person—one who could save Him.
 - c. The right result—He was heard.
- B. Seeing the example of Christ.
 - 1. Through suffering He learned obedience. v. 8; 12:5f
 - 2. Through suffering He was made perfect. v. 9
 - 3. Through suffering He provided eternal salvation. v. 9

III. Growing Through Problems.

- A. Hindrances to growth.
 - 1. Lack of interest. v. 11
 - 2. Lack of progress. vv. 12-14
 - 3. Lack of determination. 6:3
 - 4. Lack of commitment. 6:4-6
- B. Helps to growth.
 - 1. Diligence not laziness. 6:11-12
 - 2. Faith not unbelief. 6:12
 - 3. Patience not fallout. 6:12
 - 4. Obedience not rebellion. v. 9

Point to ponder: Do I handle problems with faith and patience?