CHAPTER

13

XIII

Love, the same Jesus, outside the gate

Hebrews 13:1–25 · 25 verses · Song: "Never Leave You"

The picture: A table where strangers are welcomed, one of them an angel unawares; a city gate with a cross outside it.



PICTURE WORD

Gate

THE CHAPTER IN BRIEF

Keep loving. Welcome strangers. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. Go to him outside the camp.

Remember it: THIRTEEN: the last chapter is the gate out into ordinary life.

MEMORY VERSE

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Hebrews 13:8 · the author's translation

GREEK WORD

πύλης

"gate" · verse 12

In Hebrews: once

The bodies of the sin-offering animals were burned outside the camp (Lev 16:27). So Jesus suffered outside the city gate, and the call is to go out to him there, bearing the reproach he bore (13:12–13). The gate leads away from the safe city to the place where Jesus is.

HOW THE CHAPTER MOVES

1–6	Love, hospitality, marriage and contentment.
7–9	Remember your leaders; Jesus Christ is the same forever.
10–16	Outside the gate: a sacrifice of praise and doing good.
17–19	Obey your leaders; pray for us.
20–25	The God of peace: the blessing and the farewell.

FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

v. 5 ← Deut 31:6 "I will never leave you; I will never forsake you."

v. 6 ← Ps 118:6 "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid."

MY NOTES

Listen. Hear Hebrews 13 sung in the **Hebrews by Heart** app, or free at **ispress.de/hebrews/songs/13**.

The song: "Never Leave You." Every verse of the chapter is sung.

Love and hospitality · Jesus the same forever · Outside the gate · A sacrifice of praise · The benediction

FILL IN THE BLANKS

Keep loving. Welcome _____. Jesus Christ is the _____ yesterday, today and forever. Go to him outside the _____.

CHECK YOURSELF

1. Some who showed hospitality to strangers welcomed whom without knowing it?

(A) Prophets
(B) Kings
(C) Angels
(D) Their own brothers

2. Why can we be content with what we have?

(A) Because money will come later
(B) Because he has said, "I will never leave you"
(C) Because the leaders will provide
(D) Because this city will last

3. What sacrifice should we offer to God continually?

(A) Bulls and goats
(B) A sacrifice of praise
(C) Bread of the Presence
(D) A tenth of the spoils

TALK IT OVER

1. Which of the instructions in verses 1 to 6 is hardest for you right now?

2. "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." Where do you need something that does not change?

3. What would it mean for you to go out to Jesus "outside the camp" this week?

IN YOUR OWN WORDS: WHAT DOES HEBREWS 13 TEACH?

☐ I listened to the song
☐ I can say what it teaches
☐ I can say 13:8 by heart
☐ I know the picture word

Answers Blanks: strangers · same · camp · Check yourself: 1. C (v. 2) · 2. B (v. 5) · 3. B (v. 15)