

INTRO

- When have you felt most confident about something? What gave you that confidence? What's an area in life where you wish you had more confidence right now?

(Leader note: draw out that confidence always depends on what—or whom—it's rooted in.)

READ

Hebrews 10:19-25

Q: What word or phrase stands out to you?

REFLECT & RESPOND

Today's passage shows us how the confidence we are to have in the Person and Work of Christ changes everything about how we relate to God, to others, and to ourselves. The author connects "confidence" with practical expressions of faith, hope, and love.

1. Draw Near through Faith

let us draw near to God with a sincere heart
and with the full assurance that faith brings.
(22)

Q: What does it mean to "draw near" to God with sincerity and assurance?

Q: Why do you think it's sometimes easier for us to either pretend before God or stay distant?

2. Hold Fast in Hope

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we
profess, for he who promised is faithful. (23)

Q: How would you describe the difference between optimism or positive thinking and biblical hope?

Q: What makes hope hard to hold onto in our current lives? How does remembering God's faithfulness build confidence in the future?

3. Consider Others in Love

let us consider how we may spur one another
on toward love and good deeds... (24)

Q: Hebrews warns us not to give up meeting together. Why do you think it's important to prioritize this, whether for Sunday worship or small group gatherings?

Q: What are ways others can encourage you?

Faith draws us close to God, hope holds us steady in God's promises, and love moves us outward toward others.

Encourage your group to take one practical step in each of these areas this week:

- How can you draw near to God this week?
- What promise or truth do you need to anchor yourself in?
- Who and how can you encourage this week?

(Leader note: Encourage your group to follow up midweek — send a message or text to check in on how each person practiced faith, hope, or love. Small acts of encouragement reinforce the theme of this passage.)

PRAY

- Thank God for access to His presence through Jesus.
- Pray for steady hope in uncertain circumstances.
- Ask for fresh love and courage to encourage others this week.