



HEBREWS CHAPTER 6.13-20 DISCUSSION QUESTIONS  
Week of 10/17/21

**Icebreaker:** What thoughts come to your mind when you hear people making promises today?

Read Hebrews 6:13-20 as a group, then select 2-3 questions from below to discuss together. For this week, it would be helpful to include 6:9-12 as well since this week's passage flows directly from those verses from the previous week.

1. The words of verse 14 are quoted from Genesis 22:16-17. (It may be helpful to read all Gen 22:1-18). Where in this account from Abraham's life do you see an example of faith and patience (from Heb 6:12)?

2. Have you ever been in a situation where you needed to swear that something was true or take an oath to verify your words? What was the situation?

From verses 13-17, why does God swear by himself to Abraham?

3. Promises are broken all too often and one culprit is that our human purposes can shift over time. Can you think of an example of when this might be true (or has been true in your life)?

What difference does it make that God's purposes are unchanging (vv. 17-18)?

4. What do you think the author means when he describes himself and his listeners as "we who have fled for refuge" in verse 18?

What does this (or could this) look like in your life?

5. When you read the descriptions of verses 18-19—"fled for refuge," "strong encouragement to hold fast," "sure and steadfast anchor"—what do these phrases suggest about what we should expect to experience as Christians?

6. Hope is critical to our faith and patience. How do you think hope in the sense of this passage is different from other ways we might think of "hope"?

7. Verse 20 says that Jesus is our forerunner. In a world of "storms," what difference does it make that Jesus has gone before us?

