

A Final Benediction

Intro:

1 – A Final Prayer: (vv 20-21) 4 qualities of

A. To whom he prays:

- 1) A God of spiritual peace: (Jer. 29:11, Rom. 5:1, Col. 1:20, Phil 4:7)
- 2) A God of resurrection power: (Rom. 1:4, Eph. 1:19-20)
- 3) A God of pastoral concern: (Psalm 23, John 10)
- 4) A God of everlasting faithfulness: (Jer. 31, Heb. 8)

B. For what he prays:

- 1) That God would equip them with to do the good works He desires of them (Eph. 2:10, Heb 13:16)
- 2) Augustine: "Give what you command; command what you will."
- 3) Believers are still dependent upon God's grace in sanctification (cf. Phil. 2:13)

2 – A Final Greeting: (vv 22-25) (Raymond Brown reflections)

A. Instruction to heed: (Jn. 6:60-61, 66-68)

B. Fellowship to cherish: (Heb 10:24-25)

C. Grace to appropriate: (Heb 4:16, 12:15)

Concluding thoughts:

Do you share the desire of the author of Hebrews?

Then you must share his vision of Christ presented in Hebrews.