

THE LORD'S HELP

Part 3

TEXT: Hebrews 13:5-6 NKJV

ACCEPT HELP

- Another position that requires humility
 1. God does not use who we choose
 2. God does not always do things the way we want it done
- Accept The Helper (***John 14:25-26 NKJV***)
 1. Embrace the Holy Spirit as God's gift to us

A PICTURE OF RECEIVING HELP

- Jabesh - Gilead acknowledges their need for help (***1 Samuel 11:1-3 NKJV***)
 1. Facing a situation they could not overcome on their own
 2. A deadline was facing them - added to the pressure
 3. This problem would impact entire families
- Sent to all of Israel asking for help
 1. Saul was the only one who responded (***1 Samuel 11:5-7 NKJV***)
 2. The Spirit of God came on Saul
- The people of Jabesh - Gilead accepted the help (***1 Samuel 11:9-14 NKJV***)
 1. Accepted the promise of help first
 2. Jabesh was glad before the help showed up
 3. They attributed the victory to God
- The rest of this story 40 years later
 1. Saul and his sons died on one day in battle
 2. The men of Jabesh Gilead did not forget what Saul had done for them (***1 Samuel 31:11-13 NKJV***)

THE FIVE - A PROCESS

- Acknowledge our need for God's help
 1. In matters big and small
- Ask for help from the Lord - in line with His word
 1. Do not beg or whine
- Accept His help
 1. Embrace the Helper
 2. Be glad before seeing the help (***1 Peter 1:8 NKJV***)
- Attribute the help to the Lord (***Psalms 34:2 NKJV***)
 1. Give Him the credit and brag on Him
- Adulate the Lord
 1. Exaggerated praise
 2. Praising God and thanking Him is always appropriate (***Psalms 96:4 NKJV***)