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### Approaching God in Faith

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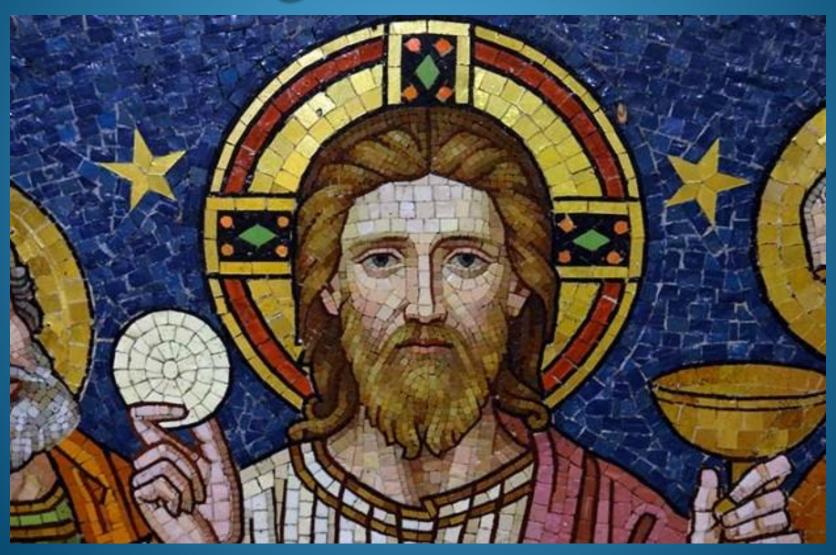
Freedom of Speech (4:16)...the right of free speech with God and unrestricted access to Him!

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In the Divine Service...you come into the presence of God!



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Your Second Great Gift!

- + He is your ritual pioneer (6:20);
- + He rules over God's House (v.21);
- + He rules all that belongs to God (3:6);
- + He brings you near to God (7:25).

- "...let us come near with a true heart in the fullness of faith..." (22a).
  - + You are privileged to approach Him...Divine Service!
  - + Here you have access...here, on earth!

- "...let us come near with a true heart in the fullness of faith..." (22a)
  - + A heart that is faithful... honest... committed...
  - + You have been "qualified!" + Verse 22b...

"...having had our hearts sprinkled from a bad conscience and having had our body washed with pure water" (22b).

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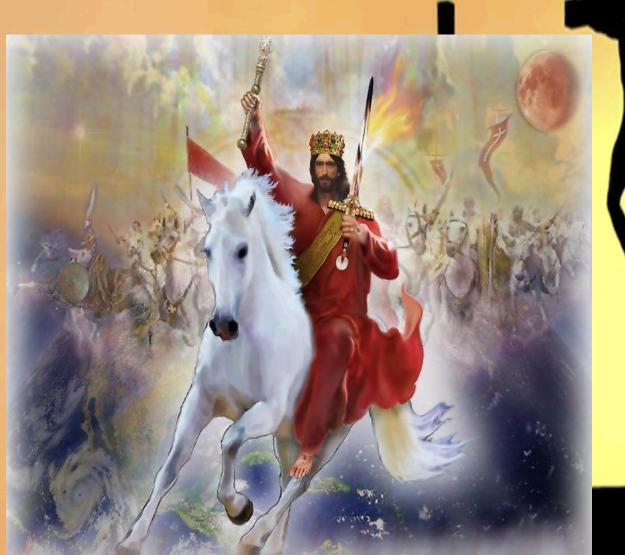
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# Holding Fast to Our Common Hope!

"Let us hold fast the confession of hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful..." (23)





#### Let's read verses 24 and 25

Notice the shift of focus in v.24: From Jesus, to your fellow believers!

+ Thus, we are to connect our confession of hope, as priestly co-heirs, with our proper treatment of each other!

We are called to "provoke" our fellow believers! ?

- + To LOVE and GOOD WORKS!
- + With "eyes of love" for their benefit!
- + Good Works: Only good when issued from Love!
- + The Goal: Generosity (cf. 13:16)

The Two Results of our "provocation"

Encourage others not to forsake

Divine Service!

+ Those who do: Willfully commit an act of deliberate abandonment!

## Results of not attending Divine Services!

- 1. Will drift away from the Gospel (2:2-3)
- 2. Shrink back from life w/God (10:38, 39)
- 3. Turn from the Living God (3:12)



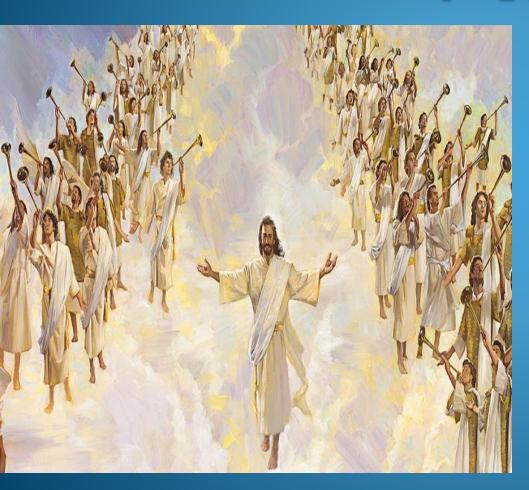
The Second Result of our "provocation"

Faithful participation in Divine Service, is encouraging (cf. 3:13).



#### The Incentive!

"...see the Day approaching..."



Not a Day of Judgment

Rather...a Day of...

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