THE HOPE THAT ANCHORS OUR SOULS

Hebrews 5:11–6:20

Key Verse: 6:19

1. What did the author want to explain? (5:11a; cf. 5:10) Why was it hard to make it clear to his readers? (11b) How did he rebuke them? (12a) What does the analogy of “milk” and “solid food” teach us about how we can grow to spiritual maturity? (12b–14)
2. What are the “elementary teachings” the author wants us to move beyond, and in what sense do they lay a foundation for our Christian life? (6:1–3) How does the author describe the spiritual danger of falling away? (4–6) What two kinds of lands does he contrast, and what does this teach us? (7,8)
3. How does the author comfort his readers? (9,10) What does he urge them to do, and why? (11) What does it mean to become spiritually “lazy,” and what should we do instead? (12)
4. How did God help Abraham believe his promise and wait patiently? (13–16) Why do people swear oaths? (16) Likewise, how does God’s oath still help the heirs of what he promised? (17,18)
5. What is the main point of our Christian hope? (cf. 11:16; 12:22,28a; 13:14) Read verse 19. How does this hope gives our souls an anchor, and why do we need this? Why is Jesus the source of our hope? (19b,20)