Treasure Hunt

- (Faith, Nate:) Why do farmers burn off a field?
- (Michael:) What would it mean for a believer to be burned (6:8)?
- (Caitlin, Ben:) What two kinds of evidence are there of spiritual maturity?
- How does the writer grade the Hebrews on each of them?
- (Caitlin, Ben:) What is the relation between hope and promise?
- In what two ways is our Lord's priesthood different from the Levites?
- How does God's last promise to Abraham differ from the previous five?
- In what sense did Abraham "obtain the promise" (6:15)?
- Why would God add an oath to his promise?
- Where is our anchor fixed, and how are we assured of this?

Epistle to the Hebrews

1:1-10:25, The Person and Work of **the Son** 1:1-4, Introduction

1:5-2:18, His Person: the Son & the Angels

1:1-14, **Higher** than the Angels

2:1-4, Warning: Neglect

2:5-18, Lower than the Angels

3:1-10:25, His Work: the Son & the Priests

3:1-6 A Faithful High Priest

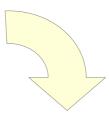
3:7-4:13 Warning: Unbelief

4:14-10:25, A Merciful High Priest

10:26-13:19, The Life of **the Sons**

13:20-25, Epistolary Close

Structure of 4:14-10:25



4:14-10:25, A **Merciful** High Priest 4:14-16, Opening: Hold Fast & Draw Near 5:1-10, *Similarities* to other Priests 5:11-6:20, **Warning**: Stagnation 7:1-10:18, *Differences* from other Priests 10:19-25, Closing: Draw Near & Hold Fast

References for 6:7-12 6:8 whose end is to be burned

Is. 5:24 Therefore as the fire devoureth the stubble, and the flame consumeth the chaff, so their root shall be as rottenness, and their blossom shall go up as dust:

Is. 47:14 Behold, they shall be as stubble; the fire shall burn them;



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1Cor. 3:11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. 12 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; 13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because **it shall be revealed by fire**; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is. 14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. 15 **If any man's work shall be burned**, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

6:9 better things

1John 3:14 We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren.

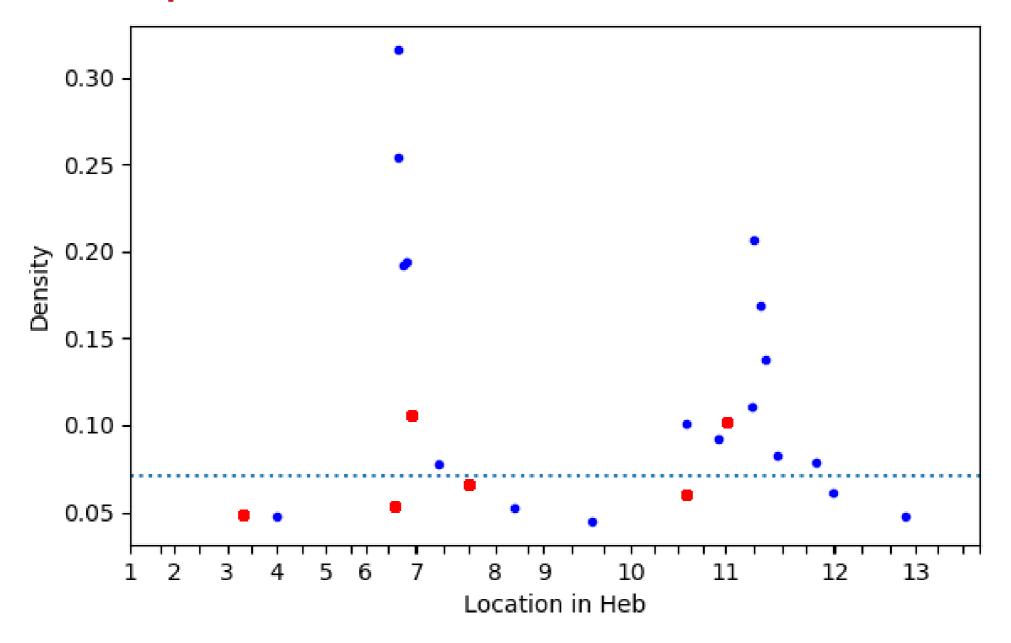
The Spiritual State of the Hebrews

	Spiritual Man (1 Cor 2:15)	The Hebrews	Carnal Man (babe; 1 Cor 3:2,3)
Understanding	judgeth all things	5:12 need that one teach you again	neither yet now are ye able
Behavior	is judged of no man	6:9 things that accompany salvation 10 your work and labor of love	envying and strife and divisions walk as men
Appropriate Food	Meat	Melchizedek	Milk

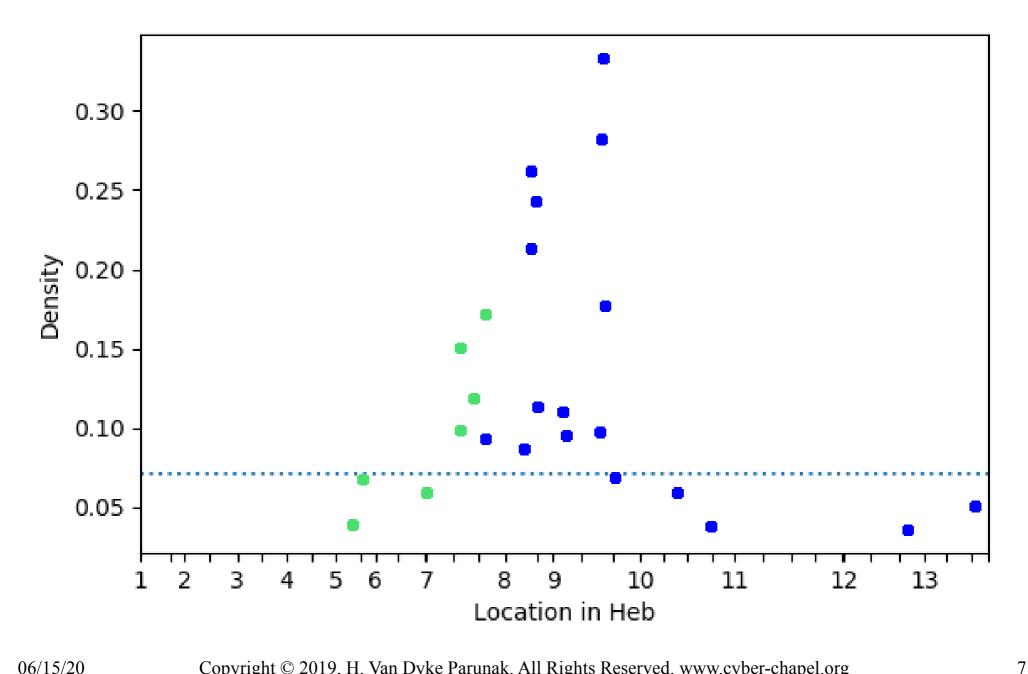
1Cor. 2:15 But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man.

1Cor. 3:2 I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able. 3 For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?

"Hope" and "Promise" in Hebrews



Our Lord's Order and Covenant



God's Promises to Abraham

Gen 12:1 Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: 2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and be thou a blessing: 3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

- 13:14-17
- 15:1, 5, 18-21
- 17:3-8
- 18:13-14

Gen 22:16 And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son: 17 That in blessing I will bless thee,

and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies; 18 And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.