Jesus Christ's blood exhorts our community to... Pursue God with sincerity and faith. (22) Cling to hope without wavering. (23) Rouse believers to love and good works. (24) **Stav connected** with one another. (25) Questions for Discussion: To what degree was your spiritual "heritage" characterized by religion or secularism in contrast to having a personal relationship with God? In what ways do you feel it has impacted your intimacy with God? How would you counsel another Christian wanting to grow closer to God based on your experience? What sorts of life circumstances can tempt us as Christians to waver in our hope? What have you experienced that has helped you personally "cling to your hope without wavering?" In what contexts have you experienced admonition directed to improve your performance? What was the nature of the counsel you received? How can Christian admonition be similar to what you experienced? How is it different? Do you know any Christians who have isolated themselves from uncommon community? What excuses have they given for their behavior?

What are some ways you can attempt to pull them back into community?