***JON’S SERMON OUTLINE….***

RECIPROCITY REQUIRED

*Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.* Hebrews 10:22-25

Introduction: Christians are always at their best when they are closest to other Christians. It’s not just about church attendance, either. It’s about *connecting* with one another. God did not create us to live in isolation. We were created to live in community and that’s why God put His church on earth. The church does not exist just to meet your needs, but you exist to meet its needs. You need to be needed. It’s the principle of reciprocity hinted at in Hebrews 10:22-39.

1. WE NEED TO \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ONE ANOTHER (10:22-24):

a. Stick to God (22-23).

b. Stir up one another (24).

2. WE NEED TO \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ONE ANOTHER (10:25-31):

a. Meet regularly with the church (25-28).

b. Make Christ’s blood count (29-31).

3. WE NEED TO \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ONE ANOTHER (10:32-34):

a. Remember your struggles (32-33).

b. Render help to others struggling (34).

4. WE NEED TO \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ WITH ONE ANOTHER (10:35-39):

a. Remain confident (35-37).

b. Refuse to quit (38-39).

CONCLUSION: Do you want to bring out the best in all of us?

Answers: 1. Challenge 2. Champion 3. Comfort 4. Conquer