

SCRIPTURE READING: Hebrews 11:8-10, 13-16.

INTRODUCTION:

Sojourners are temporary residents. Genesis 12:10; 2 Kings 8:1-3A.

God's people have always been sojourners. Leviticus 25:23; 1 Peter 1:1A; John 17:16.

Heaven is home for the people of God. Hebrews 11:8-10, 13-16; 13:14.

DISCUSSION:

1. **Do we see ourselves as sojourners?** 1 Chronicles 29:15; 2 Corinthians 5:1-2, 8.
2. **Are we treated like sojourners?** Genesis 19:9B; 2 Peter 2:7-8; 1 Peter 4:3-4.
3. **What must we do to become and remain sojourners?**
 - A. Believe. Hebrews 11:9-10, 13; 10:32-34.
 - B. Study. Psalms 119:54; John 17:15-17.
 - C. Obey. 1 Peter 2:11.
 - D. Stay focused on heaven. Colossians 3:1-2; Philippians 3:17-21.

Songs: *"Here We Are But Straying Pilgrims" #247; "I Am A Poor Wayfaring Stranger" #252; "Sing On, Ye Joyful Pilgrims" #581; "This World Is Not My Home" #684. Let sing the latter.*

4. **Do we reach out to strangers?**
 - A. Leviticus 19:33-34; Deuteronomy 24:19-22.
 - B. Alien, orphan, and widow.
 - C. Ezekiel 22:7B, 29, 31. See also Zechariah 7:8-14; Malachi 3:5.
 - D. Matthew 25:31-46; Hebrews 13:2.
 - 1) 3 John 5.
 - 2) Ephesians 2:11-12.

