Questions for Discussion

- 1. In the passage we see a contrast between the old and new covenant. Try to picture yourself as an Israelite under the Old Covenant. What do you think your response be?
- 2. Now try to picture yourself in the midst of the heavenly assembly. What thoughts and emotions are evoked as you do so?
- 3. Why do you think it was important for the writer to remind these believers of their position in this new kingdom (See also Col 1:13)?
- 4. How does this passage advocate for "Christ-centered worship?" The need for the Lord's Supper?
- 5. Do you tend to think of Corporate Worship as central to the church's life? Your own personal life? Do you think of it as a means to an end or an end in and of itself?
- 6. Faith is a crucial component to our experience of worship. Faith is defined as "the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen" (Heb 11:1). Try to imagine and speak to what you think the difference would be between a church with a strong conviction of this heavenly reality and one that lacks such conviction?
- 7. Is it comforting to you to know that heaven and earth may move but this kingdom will not move? Explain.
- 8. How might you go about creating "margin" so as to make corporate worship central in your life?