

*Daily Morning Message*  
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*Tuesday, September 7, 2021*

*Lectionary Readings*      *Psalm 73:1-20*  
   *Proverbs 11:1-31*  
   *Hebrews 12:3-15*

*Today's Scripture Verse:*      *Pursue peace with everyone, and the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no root of bitterness springs up and causes trouble, and through it many become defiled. Hebrews 12:14-15*

What it means:                      Consider the mutual accountability of this passage. The author of Hebrews is asking everyone in the church to consider it their responsibility to "pursue peace with everyone" and to "see to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God." No individualism here. In the church, no one should be left behind.

Reflection:                              Holy God, we pray that we may be faithful in building the beloved community where each of us feels a responsibility for our neighbor – even for our neighbor's experience of your grace.

