

"SEND IT AWAY" PAPER AIRPLANE ACTIVITY

We all have to give up something in order to accept the gospel of Jesus Christ—whether that be bad habits, incorrect beliefs, unwholesome associations, or something else. For Gentiles, conversion often meant abandoning false gods. For the Hebrews (Jews), however, conversion proved to be, if not more difficult, a little more complicated. After all, their cherished beliefs and traditions were rooted in the worship of the true God and the teachings of His prophets, extending back thousands of years. Yet the Apostles taught that the law of Moses had been fulfilled in Jesus Christ and that a higher law was now the standard for believers. Would accepting Christianity mean that the Hebrews must give up their earlier beliefs and history? The Epistle to the Hebrews sought to help settle such questions by teaching that the law of Moses, the prophets, and the ordinances are all important, but Jesus Christ is greater (see [Hebrews 1:1–4; 3:1–6; 7:23–28](#)). In fact, all these things point to and testify of Christ as the Son of God and the promised Messiah the Jews had been waiting for. The message for the Hebrews, and for all of us, is that sometimes we must give up traditions to make Jesus Christ the center of our worship and our lives—for it is through Christ “that we may obtain mercy” ([Hebrews 4:16](#)).

ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS

What is a bad habit or something you could “Send Away” to be a stronger follower of Christ? Write down the thing you are going to send away on a piece of paper. Make a promise to break this bad habit or idea. Fold your paper into an airplane (instructions included) then send it soaring!