



HEBREWS RECAP

- **2 New Covenant Truths –**
 - We have confidence to enter Most Holy Place because of the Cross
 - We have a great priest Jesus
- **3 exhortations based on those truths:**
 - Let us draw near to God
 - Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess
 - Let us considers how to spur one another on to love and good deeds





HEBREWS 10:26-31

10.26-31: Warning against persistent, intentional sin

- **Directed to believers –**
 - ‘we’ in v26 – pastor is including himself in warning
 - this is someone who has:
 - has received knowledge of the truth
 - has been sanctified by blood of Jesus





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- **Behavior being warned against - persistent, intentional sin**
 - **Deliberately keep on sinning –**
 - Speaks to intentionality – sinning on purpose
 - Speaks to frequency – ongoing sin
 - Num 15.30-31: But anyone who sins defiantly, whether native-born or foreigner, blasphemes the Lord and must be cut off from the people of Israel. Because they have despised the Lord's word and broken his commands, they must surely be cut off; their guilt remains on them.
- **Sin in view – apostasy**
 - Act of abandoning previously held beliefs; in this case - walking away from Jesus
 - See this clearly in view in v32-39





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- **No forgiveness available** – no sacrifice for sins is left
 - Sinning in this way:
 - **Tramples Son of God underfoot** – to treat with disdain or scorn
 - **Treats as unholy the blood of the covenant** – view as common
 - **Insults Spirit of grace** – treats the Holy Spirit disrespectfully by disregarding His work
 - To reject Jesus is to reject the only sufficient sacrifice for sin





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- **Result is judgment**
 - But only the fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God
 - because sins aren't forgiven we aren't reconciled to God, we remain His enemies
 - because our sins aren't forgiven, they will be judged God will avenge/repay/judge
 - It is a dreadful thing to fall into the hands of the living God
 - because He is holy and we aren't
 - because we have rejected Him and His offer of reconciliation



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- Ties warning into Old Covenant - argument from lesser to greater
 - To reject law of Moses – law is human side of covenant
 - To reject the law is to say, ‘I don’t want You to be My God and I don’t want to be part of Your people’
 - Someone who did that was cut off from Israel
 - New Covenant is superior – better sacrifice, better priest, better ‘offer’ – to reject that will carry more severe consequences



HEBREWS 10:32-39

10.32-39: 3 instructions to help them remain faithful

- **10.32-34:** Remember those earlier days after you had received the light, when you endured in a great conflict full of suffering.
 - **Remember** - recall past with purpose of allowing recollection to shape your present
 - When first followed Jesus they paid a price that looked like:
 - **Enduring in a great conflict full of suffering**
 - **Endured** – maintain a belief/course of action in the face of opposition; stand firm
 - **Being publicly exposed to insult/persecution**
 - **Standing side-by-side with those so treated**
 - **Suffering along with those in prison**
 - **Joyfully accepting the confiscation of their property**





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10.32-39: 3 instructions to help them remain faithful

- **10.35: Don't throw away your confidence, it will be richly rewarded**
 - **Throw away** – to reject; get rid of as undesirable
 - **Confidence** – courageous confession we maintain even under pressure (see 3.6)



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10.32-39: 3 instructions to help them remain faithful

- **10.36-39: You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what He has promised**
 - **Persevere** – capacity to bear up well under difficult circumstances
 - **Shrinking back** – draw back or disappear from a position
 - **Quote from Hab 2** –
 - **Jesus is coming** – don't persevere because Jesus is returning and He will rescue you from suffering, but because He is returning and will be looking for those who are trusting Him
 - **His people will live by faith** – trust; opposite of living by faith is shrinking back



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Struggling to Persevere

Message: Ephesians 6:10-18 Notes



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Father, thank You for establishing the New Covenant with us.

We are grateful for the blessing of being cleansed of our sins and the privilege of approaching You with confidence.

Jesus, thank You for being a willing sacrifice for our sins and for being our Great High Priest, seated at the right hand of the Father and constantly making intercession for us.

Holy Spirit, thank You for taking up residence in our hearts, testifying to our adoption into the family of God and moving us to walk faithfully with Jesus.



We acknowledge this morning that we are prone to wander from You Jesus.

Please forgive us.

Rescue us from going our own way.

Confess any sins the Holy Spirit brings to mind

Father, give us grace to persevere. Holy Spirit, help us to stand firm.

