

REVIEWING HEBREWS (Hebrews 1- 4:2)

I. The Superiority of Christ... over all others

- The *issue* in writing Hebrews was the writer's concern of the constant _____ & _____ on the Hebrew believers coming from the Jewish community pressuring them to _____ to _____ as a way of life, instead of going on to _____ with the _____, they had embraced by _____!
- This *concern* is demonstrated by the number of _____ and or _____ in the book that encourage the saints not to _____, but to go on to _____ in Christ!
- The *heart* of Hebrews is not a message of eternal salvation for sinners, but a significant _____ of the superiority of Christ with serious _____ / _____ for believers to “_____ the weight or sin which so easily ensnares them, and to look to the _____ & _____ of our faith” (Heb.12:1-2), as it will be worth it now by way of present _____, and by way of hearing a “_____” in the future!

A. First Warning and Exhortation To Heed (2:1-4)

1. Do not _____ mentally from your _____ and His so great _____ through _____ of Him! (2:1-4)
 2. To “drift away” means to un-noticeably glide by the current of life from a _____ mooring (God’s revealed truth), to an _____ place (either the “flesh” or the “world”) because we did not pay close _____ to what we were doing (we will be _____ in life) as to how we will _____ to our Savior!
- Why is our salvation “so great?”
 - a. Because it is a _____ salvation .
 - b. Because of Christ’s great once for all _____ for us on the _____ (Heb. 2:9; 10:10)
 - c. Because of His unchanging word & great grace that _____ sinners into saints (Rom 12:1-2)
 - d. Because every aspect of the Christian life is designed to _____ (1 Cor. 10:31; 1 Peter 4:11)
 - How can we neglect so great a salvation?
3. Believer, stay _____ & in _____ with the Captain of your salvation, _____!

B. The Second Warning or Exhortation to Heed (chp. 3)

1. Do not _____ through _____ in _____ from your focus and fellowship with the Lord God in the _____ you are facing (3)
2. The Hebrew believers of the first century, who were struggling in their faith, possibly with hard heartedness, are challenged by the writer in vs 1 to do one thing... “To _____... Jesus Christ”!
3. Since Jesus Christ was their confessed Savior from sin’s _____, then Jesus Christ was the one they needed to follow for victory over the _____ in their believing life! (cf 3:1-6)
- The point: Jesus Christ is _____ than Moses, therefore go on with _____, don’t go back to _____ and the defunct sacrificial system _____ with him!
4. The *shift from Jesus Christ* as our faithful & functioning High Priest, to *our present need* to be faithful to Him, ... requires that we are to “_____ the _____ and the _____ of our _____ firm to the end” (3:6b)
5. An O.T. Illustration they could relate to (3:7-19) & it’s parallel to our Christian life!
6. The process of *hardening one’s heart* involves on going _____ and _____ in the face of hearing the _____ in the midst of the _____ & _____ of life!
7. Note the emphasis here is for ... _____!“ _____, if you will hear His voice, do not harden your hearts...!”
 - a. Today, God wants you to take this warning _____... as he says... “Beware brethren” (3:12)
 - b. Today, God wants you to take this challenge _____... “lest there be in any of you...” (3:12)
 - c. Today, God wants you to realize the bottom line failure in your Christian life involves “an _____ of _____” toward His word.
 - d. Today, God wants you to realize that any failure to walk by faith in His promises is a _____ from the living _____ and your ongoing _____ with Him!
 - e. Today, God wants believers to _____ one another daily when _____ arises to help prevent another from being _____ through the _____ of sin. (3:13)
 - f. Today, God wants us to be a _____ as we walk by faith and _____ the beginning of our confidence steadfast till the _____ (3:14)
 - g. Today, God wants us to learn from the Exodus generation’s _____ not to harden our hearts by means of _____ (3:15-19)

C. The Third Warning or Exhortation to Heed (chp. 4)