

Series "Jesus Is Better"
"Our Enduring Confidence"
Hebrews 10:32-39
Study-23

We are studying the "4th Problem Passage In Hebrews":

**Problem passage #4 – Despising The Word – Hebrews 10:26-39
(Willfulness)**

Verses 26-31 – A Warning To Avoid God's Judgment
Verses 32-39 – Commending All Who Persevere

The Thought Of Our Passage: "God's Past Faithfulness Encourages Us To Continue To Trust Him In The Present And On Into The Future."

- 1. Verses 32-34 – Remembering The Past**
- 2. Verses 35-39 – Responding To The Present**

1. Verses 32-34 – Remembering The Past:

Hebrews 10: 32

"But" – The argument for "The Superiority of Jesus Christ",
Hebrews 1:1-10:18.

Hebrews 10: 19-25 – The Application Of "The Superiority of Jesus Christ";
Transition From Doctrine to Duty

Verses 24-25 – Let Us Consider Our Social Obligation In Love.

Hebrews 10: 26-31 – Haters Of The Word

Hebrews 10: 30-31

Command To Remember: "remember the former days," – "Keep on reminding yourselves."

Their Conversion: "when, after being enlightened," – Hebrews 6: 4

2 Corinthians 4:4

2 Corinthians 4:6

Ephesians 1:8

"enlightened" – It points to an instantaneous event when the believing sinner passes from darkness to light.

The book of Acts reveals persecution: Acts 4: 1-3; 5: 17-18; 6: 9-14; 17: 5; 18: 12.

"great conflict" – (KJV fight) Greek word "athleo", we get our English word "athlete"; To "strive, to wrestle, contend to struggle."

"of sufferings," – "afflictions", Hebrews 2: 9-10

Hebrews 10: 33

"spectacle" – Greek word "theatron"; our English term "theater", "to bring upon the stage, to set forth as a spectacle, expose to contempt", Acts 19: 29.

1 Corinthians 4: 9

"through reproaches" – "oral ridicule and mockery", Matthew 27: 39-44.

Hebrews 13: 13

Romans 15: 3

"and tribulations," – "afflictions actual hurt to both person and property", John 16: 33.

"by becoming sharers with those who were so treated." – Philippians 3: 10.

Hebrews 10: 34

Their Compassion: "you showed sympathy to the prisoners" – Hebrews 4: 15.

Hebrews 13: 3

2 Timothy 1: 16-17

Matthew 25: 35-36

Believer's Conviction: "accepted joyfully the seizure of your property," – Galatians 5: 22.

"better possession and a lasting one." – Matthew 6: 19-20.

Hebrews 10:32 – “But remember the former days,” Why should they remember?

1. So that they could be challenged by their past character.
2. They would trust God and God would empower them yet again and see them through the present.

2. Verses 35-39 – Responding To The Present:

Hebrews 10:35

4 Qualities To Keep Us Focused On To Maturity:

1. Verse 35 – Confidence: “do not throw away your confidence,”

“do not throw away” – “Do not begin to cast away”; “a tree losing its leaves” or “deliberately throwing something away”, Mark 10:50.

Confidence – is objective truth. Hebrews 4:16

Confidence – is subjective truth (personal). Hebrews 3:6

1 John 5:14

2. Verses 36-37 – Endurance: Hebrews 10:36

“endurance,” – (patience) the “ability to remain or abide under the pressures imposed on them, remaining under the load.”

Isaiah 40:31 – The greatest gift of all is to walk and not to faint.

Hebrews 10:23

Galatians 6:9

Hebrews 6:12

Hebrews 10:37-38 – quoted from Habakkuk 2:3-4. This passage speaks of a revelation that is coming, but in Hebrews he speaks of a person. Jesus is both a person and the last Word. Hebrews 1:1

Habakkuk 2:3

Isaiah 26:20

Habakkuk 3:17-18

God's apparent delay is not without a cause: 2 Peter 3:9

3. Verse 38 – Faith: Hebrews 10:38

Habakkuk 2:4

Passage is used in Romans 1:17; Galatians 3:11

The word FAITH – “live by faithfulness”; Those that are faithful place their faith in Him.

“AND IF HE SHRINKS BACK,” – 1 Corinthians 4:2

“MY SOUL HAS NO PLEASURE IN HIM.” – 1 John 2:19

4. Verse 39 – Perseverance: Hebrews 10:39

“who shrink back” – “take in sail”; Instead of opening fully the sails of a ship to catch the full wind, the person pulls the sails in and there is no motion.

“to destruction” – perdition, “perish, die, destruction and waste”, which can refer either to temporal or eternal ruin.

John 17:12

John 13:10-11

“to the preserving of the soul.” – “saving one's life”; preserving through calamity, justifying faith is a persevering faith.

Application:

1. Remember The Past: It's Beneficial In Guarding Against Blurred Memories. Remember How God Has Helped Us In The Past; Salvation And Carrying Us Through Past Conflicts.
2. Response In The Present: Drawing From Past Victories, We Will Continue In Confidence And Persevering Faith To Move Foreword To Maturity.