Draw Near, Hold Fast and Keep Moving

Hebrews 10:19-39

- I. <u>DRAW NEAR</u> (10:19-22)—
 - A. We have confidence ()—every reason for complete confidence
 - 1. The **Shed Blood of Jesus** has atoned for us.
 - 2. The Eternal Priesthood of Jesus continues to intercede for us.
 - **B.** Let us draw near ()—we need to act on this confidence; not be merely a point of orthodoxy that we profess, but a call to relationship that's we embrace
 - 1. With Sincerity—
 - 2. In Faith—not automatic ritual or merely intellectual assent
 - 3. With Heart and Body— external application of baptism & internal reality
- II. <u>HOLD FAST</u> (23-25)—without wavering
 - **A.** <u>The Confession of Our Hope</u> (23; Rom 1:16; Rom 10:10-13)—"the faith" you profess
 - B. The Reminder of the One Who Promised (23b)—the credibility of Jesus
 - C. <u>The Focus on One Another</u> (24-25; Mk 10:49)—love and duty to Church family
 - 1. Spur One Another On (Heb 10:5-7)—to love and good works (action)
 - 2. <u>Meet Together Regularly</u>—and warned not to forsake it!
 - 3. **Encourage One Another**()—pour courage into one another
- **III. FEAR GOD** (26-31)—
 - A. The Living God—real person, not abstract idea, moral principle or impersonal force

- **B.** The Righteous Judge ()—the One to whom we must give an account
 - 1. The Kindness of God's Mercy ()—extended to us in Jesus offering Himself
 - 2. The Justice of God's Vengeance ()—He will punish and it will be well-deserved
- C. <u>The Sin of Apostasy</u> (26-29)—turning back, renouncing the faith you embraced
 - **1. Active** (1 Jn 1:6-9)
 - a. You can't claim Jesus as Savior if you won't have Him as Lord.
 - b. We must make a practice of living honestly in truth.
 - -> Church is not for the perfect but for the penitent.
 - 2. **Deliberate**—not accidental or unconscious
 - 3. Egregious (29)—shocking, outrageously bad; insult upon injury
 - a. <u>Spurns</u> the Son of God ("tramples under foot")—rejects, despises, rebuffs, scorns, treats with contempt.
 - **b.** <u>Profanes</u> the Blood of the Covenant—disregards, does not value the blood of Christ
 - **c.** <u>Outrages</u> the Spirit of Grace (Tit 2:12)—grace provides opportunity & power to change.
 - **4.** <u>Unpardonable</u> (26-27)—there is no other way to God
- **IV. PERSEVERE** (35-36)
 - A. Coming to Christ is the beginning, not the end of faith.
 - B. Faith compels us to do the will of God.
 - C. There is a reward.

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