

## **Coming Up Just A Little Short**

### **Hebrews 4:1-10**

#### Introduction:

Still dealing with the superiority of Christ to Moses. Having shown the possibility of departing from Christ as they did from Moses, he goes on to show that, since Christ was greater than Moses, the evil of departing from him was so much more terrible. **There is a Divine promise of rest unexhausted in Old Testament times, and only fulfilled through faith in Christ.** "Let us fear therefore, lest a promise being left of entering into his rest, any one of you should seem to come short of it. For, indeed, we have had good tidings preached unto us, even as also they. But the Word of hearing did not profit them, because it was not united by faith with them that heard. For we which have believed do enter into that rest." This is proved (as usual) from their own Scriptures. "Even as he hath said, As I sware in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest, although the works were finished from the foundation of the world." That is, the promised share in God's rest cannot be that after his creative work, for it had not been enjoyed two thousand years after the creation; nor could it be the rest of Canaan, for long after the entrance into Canaan, David, in the ninety-fifth psalm, speaks of it as still unpossessed. "He again defineth," etc. What then? "There remaineth therefore a rest," etc.

#### **1. The \_\_\_\_\_ "TO FEAR"**

**"Fear" - to exercise concern and care in the evaluation and fervency of our faith" - Stanley Outlaw**

#### **2. The \_\_\_\_\_ For Failure**

- \_\_\_\_\_ against the Preached Word of God
- No \_\_\_\_\_ of trust demonstrated by action
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### 3. The \_\_\_\_\_ That Remains

- Original \_\_\_\_\_ Rest - the basis for continuing rest
- Israel did not \_\_\_\_\_ Canaan and died in the wilderness
- \_\_\_\_\_ Rest - Israel's entrance into the promised land
- David spoke of God's Rest for his \_\_\_\_\_. (Psalm 95:7-11)
- \_\_\_\_\_ in Canaan, looked for a city whose builder and maker was God (11:10)
- \_\_\_\_\_ speaks of another day. (John 14:1-3)

### 4. The \_\_\_\_\_ To Enter God's Rest

- Give \_\_\_\_\_ to your heart's condition
- Hear God through His \_\_\_\_\_
- Trust and \_\_\_\_\_ God's Word

**-Faith must produce action (works) or it is dead; no faith at all**

### **Conclusion:**

- The primary purpose for preaching the Word of God is that we might profit spiritually from it.
- Every generation have those who neglect to hear the Word of God
- When we do not profit from hearing the Word preached, it is due to rebellion and disobedience, which always start one a path towards unbelief

**“The evangelical church is starving for the meat of the Word, quoting Amos 8:11, “Behold, the days are coming,’ says the Lord God, ‘That I will send a famine on the land, Not a famine of bread, Nor a thirst for water, But of hearing the words of the Lord.’” “The famine is here!” Too many churches are “an inch deep and a mile wide.” -Dr. Harry Reeder**