

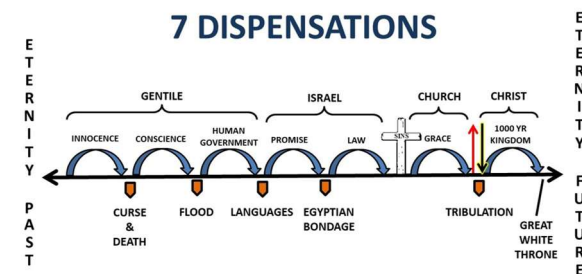
THE WARNING OF ENTERING THE FAITH-REST LIFE Pt. 2 (Hebrews 3:7-4:1)

A. The BACKGROUND to HEBREWS You Need to Know.

B. The WARNINGS and EXHORTATIONS You Need to Heed. (2:1-4, 3:7-19, 5:11-6:12, 10:19-39, 12:14-29)

C. The EXHORTATION for You to ENTER & ENJOY the FAITH-REST LIFE TODAY. (4)

1. The *subject* of this chapter revolves around the _____. Where is this found in the passage? 3:11,18,4:1, 3[2x], 5,8,9,10,11. What 2 Greek words are translated “rest”
2. The *meaning* of “rest” involves ... _____ of work or labor; freedom from worries or anxieties; sense of confidence, peace, and inner stability involving _____ upon someone or something.
 - What is this ‘rest’ referring to in this context?
 - a) It is not _____. {Due to context; they were already believers; also 1 John 5:13; and 2 Tim.2:13}
 - b) It is not _____. {Due to context, and a correct understanding of Canaan land.}
 - c) It is not the _____. {Due to context & that entrance is being offered now, not later.}



d) It is the daily _____ - _____ in which the believer walks by faith in dependence upon God and enjoys inner peace, joy, stability, etc. as the Lord fights his battles, carries his burdens, directs his path, energizes his service, produces fruit through him, etc.

- Why is this the day to day ‘rest’ of the Christian walk by grace through faith?
 - 1) It is being _____ offered to them to be _____.
 - 2) It can be entered _____, without waiting for some future time.
 - 3) It was available to be entered to the _____ Exodus generation, thus nullifying _____ and the Millennial Kingdom.
 - 4) It is entered by _____, not by sight – which will be true of Heaven and the Millennial Kingdom on Earth when entered.

- Why is this important to remember? Just like with our justification before God or positional sanctification, this daily rest walk and practical sanctification cannot be _____ out or _____ by our self-efforts and living by law.
3. The **provider of this “rest”** is _____. (4:1; 3:11, 18, 4:3, 5, 10) Why is this important to remember? Because just like with our justification before God or positional sanctification, this daily rest and practical sanctification cannot be _____ out or _____ by our self-efforts and living by law. {Romans 7:15-18, 24-25}
4. The **warning is for us to** _____ (be deeply concerned about } a **failure to** _____ of daily _____ into God’s rest. (4:1c, 3, 5, 10)
- “fear” (phobeo) – depending on the context it can refer to great fright, reverential awe, deep respect, or serious personal concern.
 - Consider 2 Corinthians 11:3; 12:20
 - What is a believer NOT to FEAR?
 - a) The approval/praise of _____. (Prov.29:25; Jn. 12:42-43)
 - b) The threats of the _____. (Matthew 10:28-31)
 - c) The criticisms of _____. (Gal. 2:12)
 - d) The removal of _____. (1 John 4:18)
 - e) The loss of _____. (Romans 8:15, 38-39)
 - f) Death – regardless of its _____. (Heb. 2:15)
 - g) Coming _____. (Rev.2:10)
 - What is the believer TO FEAR?
 - a) The _____ ... in order to gain divine knowledge and wisdom. (Prov.1:7, 9:10)
 - b) _____ - in the SANCTIFICATION process. (2 Cor.7:1; Phil.2:12-13; Eph.5:21; 1 Pet. 1:17)
 - c) Divine _____. (Heb.10:31)
 - d) Failing to _____ the faith-rest life and being faithful to the Lord. (Heb.4:1)

What is the implication of verse 1 regarding believers in Christ? It is _____ that a believer in Christ who has entered into salvation rest through faith alone in Christ alone [peace with God] may _____ to enter into sanctification/submission rest in their daily walk [the peace of God], and thus, not be _____ to the Lord. In fact, this possibility was _____ for these Hebrew Christians in light of their present pressure and persecution.

- How does apply to you today?