

#### **REDEEMER CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

# DON'T HARDEN YOUR Heart

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#### HEBREWS 3

Therefore, holy brothers and sisters, partakers of a heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession: Jesus; <sup>2</sup> He was faithful to Him who appointed Him, as Moses also was in all His house.

<sup>3</sup> For He has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses, by just so much as the builder of the house has more honor than the house. <sup>4</sup> For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.

<sup>5</sup> Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken later; <sup>6</sup> but Christ was faithful as a Son over His house—whose house we are, if we hold firmly to our confidence and the boast of our hope.

<sup>7</sup> Therefore, just as the Holy Spirit says, "TODAY IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE, 8 DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS AS WHEN THEY PROVOKED ME, AS ON THE DAY OF TRIAL IN THE WILDERNESS, 9 WHERE YOUR FATHERS PUT ME TO THE TEST, AND SAW MY WORKS FOR FORTY YEARS.

<sup>10</sup> "THEREFORE I WAS ANGRY WITH THIS GENERATION, AND SAID, 'THEY ALWAYS GO ASTRAY IN THEIR HEART, AND THEY DID NOT KNOW MY WAYS'; <sup>11</sup> AS I SWORE IN MY ANGER, 'THEY CERTAINLY SHALL NOT ENTER MY REST.""

<sup>12</sup> Take care, brothers and sisters, that there will not be in any one of you an evil, unbelieving heart that falls away from the living God.<sup>13</sup> But encourage one another every day, as long as it is still called "today," so that none of you will be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.

<sup>14</sup> For we have become partakers of Christ if we keep the beginning of our commitment firm until the end, 15 while it is said, "TODAY IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE, DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS, AS WHEN THEY PROVOKED ME."

<sup>16</sup> For who provoked Him when they had heard? Indeed, did not all those who came out of Egypt led by Moses?<sup>17</sup> And with whom was He angry for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose dead bodies fell in the wilderness?

<sup>18</sup> And to whom did He swear that they would not enter His rest, but to those who were disobedient? <sup>19</sup> And so we see that they were not able to enter because of unbelief.

But realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come.<sup>2</sup> For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, slanderers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy, <sup>3</sup> unloving, irreconcilable, malicious gossips, without selfcontrol, brutal, haters of good,

<sup>4</sup> treacherous, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, <sup>5</sup> holding to a form of godliness although they have denied its power; avoid such people as these. <sup>6</sup> For among them are those who slip into households and captivate weak women weighed down with sins, led on by various impulses,

<sup>7</sup> always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>8</sup> Just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so these men also oppose the truth, men of depraved mind, worthless in regard to the faith.

<sup>9</sup> But they will not make further progress; for their foolishness will be obvious to all, just as was that also of Jannes and Jambres.

#### DEFINITION

## **Apathy:** lack of interest, enthusiasm, or concern.

#### HOW TO AVOID CALLOUSNESS

Stay in Prayer
Stay in the Word
Stay in Fellowship
Don't harbor unforgiveness

#### EPHESIANS 6:12

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places.

### REVELATION 12:11 (LSB)

"And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their witness, and they did not love their life even to death.