

SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE: JANUARY 18, 2026

HOLD FIRM TO YOUR FAITH! - HEBREWS 3:7-4:1, 12-16

1. Discussion Starter

- What's something hard you've had to stick with longer than you expected?

2. Big Idea: Perseverance is not Automatic

- Why do you think we often assume following Jesus will just "work itself out"?
- Is the Idea that persevering in faith is easy, biblical? What has shaken that assumption for you?

3. Israel's Example: Seeing God yet Struggling to have Faith

- What do you find most striking, or relatable, about Israel's story?
- Why don't past spiritual experiences always carry us through hard seasons?

4. The Real Danger: Unbelief

Hebrews connects failing to persevere with unbelief.

- How do we see unbelief creep into our lives?
- Is it possible to not believe the gospel, yet profess faith in Christ Jesus?

5. Church Responsibility: Encourage One Another Daily

- Why do you think encouraging one another toward faith can feel uncomfortable or awkward?
- When in your life did someone's obedience to this text helped you persevere?

6. Let us Fear: Fearing the Right Thing

- We have a faith that casts out fear. Yet Hebrews 4:1 tells us to "fear" or to "beware". How does the fear commanded here protect our faith?

7. Our Hope: Our Great High Priest

- Read Hebrews 4:14-16

Take Time to Pray

