

Hebrews Pt 10 I'm No Longer in My Feelings

Central Question:

How does Hebrews 6 call believers to anchor their hope in God's unchangeable promises rather than in fluctuating emotions?

I. Opening and Context

Key Scripture: Hebrews 6:9–18

Main points:

1. Series context in Hebrews: warnings followed by encouragement.
2. Purpose of the message: move from feelings to assurance based on God's promises.

II. Core Exhortation from Hebrews 6

Key Scripture: Hebrews 6:9–12

Main points:

1. God has not forgotten your work and labor of love.
2. Maintain diligence and full assurance of hope until the end.
3. Do not become sluggish; imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

III. Abraham as the Model of Patient Endurance

Key Scriptures: Genesis 12; Genesis 22

Main points:

1. God promised Abraham blessing and multiplication; Abraham waited and endured.
2. Genesis 22 illustrates obedience and the testing of faith after a long wait.
3. The promise was fulfilled after enduring—patience as endurance, not passive waiting.

IV. Covenants, Oaths, and God's Unchangeable Purpose

Key Scriptures: Hebrews 6:13–18; references to Noahic, Abrahamic, Mosaic, Davidic

covenants

Main points:

1. God swore by Himself to confirm His promise to Abraham—His oath guarantees certainty.
2. Covenants show God binding Himself, not relying on human consistency.
3. Our status with God depends on His oath and purpose, not on our shifting feelings.

V. Hope as Anchor for the Soul

Key Scripture: Hebrews 6:19

Main points:

1. The hope given in Christ is described as a sure and steadfast anchor.
2. An anchor must be connected—hope is effective only when we are connected to Christ.
3. Practical image: anchors must be dropped into water and linked; likewise, believers must be rooted in Christ.

VI. Illustrations and Testimony

Examples used:

1. Everyday analogies: sports practice, family anecdotes about waiting.
2. Cultural reference: Romanian pastor who endured prison and authored *Torture for Christ*—example of faithful endurance under persecution.
3. Contemporary application: how waiting and trials shape faith and reliance on Scripture.

VII. Practical Application and Daily Practice

Actions to take:

1. Anchor your hope: return to Scripture to remind yourself of God's promises.
2. Endure actively: serve, minister, and persevere rather than becoming complacent.
3. Stay connected to Christ through prayer, Scripture, and community so the anchor holds.

Suggested daily rhythms:

4. Read Hebrews 6 and Ephesians 1; meditate on specific promises.
5. Repent of letting emotions govern your sense of standing; rehearse God's oath.
6. Serve or minister as tangible evidence of faith while you wait.

Key Takeaway:

Your standing before God rests on His covenantal faithfulness and oath, not on the fluctuation of your feelings; anchor your soul in Christ and persist in faithful service and endurance.

For Further Reflection:

1. What promise from Scripture are you waiting on, and how does knowing God's oath affect your waiting?
2. In what ways have your emotions dictated your spiritual decisions, and how might Scripture re-anchor you?
3. What practical steps will you take this week to stay connected to Christ and persevere in ministry?

Scripture References for Further Study:

Hebrews 6:9–19; Genesis 12; Genesis 22; Ephesians 1; Hebrews 4 (briefly referenced in sermon). Additional suggested reading referenced in the message: Torture for Christ (account of Romanian persecution).