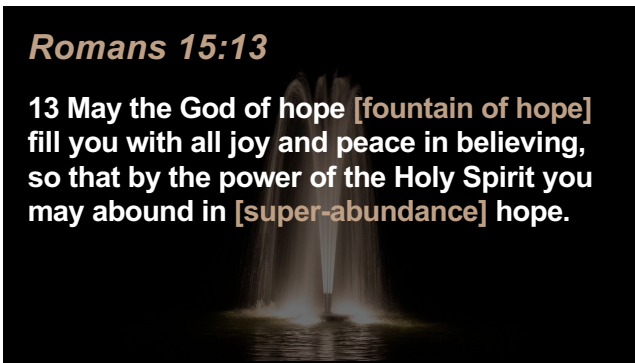
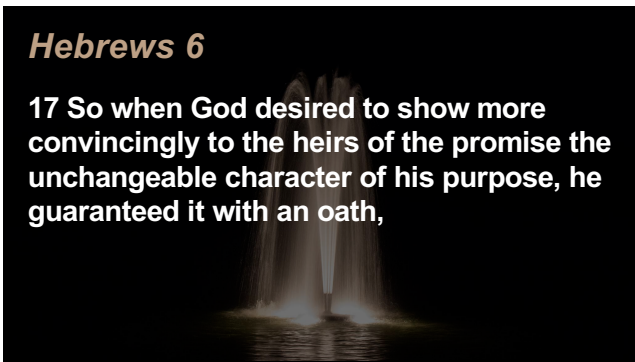




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20 where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

9

Oath

Whenever people offer oaths, they swear by someone greater than themselves to provide a guarantee. Since God had no one greater than Himself, He swore by Himself. He based His oath on His own great name, guaranteeing He would accomplish His purpose.

10

Genesis 22:16

16 and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, 17 I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies,

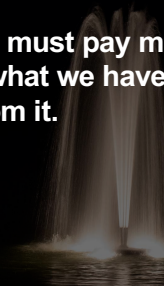
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Why do we need an anchor?

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Hebrews 2:1

Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it.



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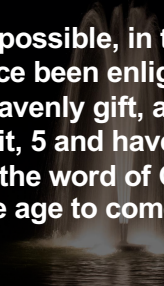
Anchor

Slowing the Boat	When wind and current are moving the boat too quickly
Turning the Boat	The rudder is typically ineffective at very low speeds; However, the boat can be turned either quickly or slowly by lowering an anchor off one side.
Stopping the Boat	Allowing the anchor to set at the bottom causes a complete stop

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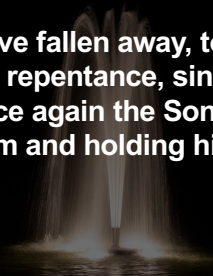
4 For it is impossible, in the case of those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, and have shared in the Holy Spirit, 5 and have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the age to come,



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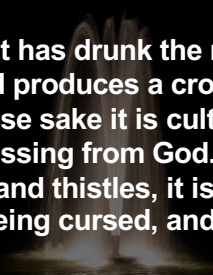
6 and then have fallen away, to restore them again to repentance, since they are crucifying once again the Son of God to their own harm and holding him up to contempt.



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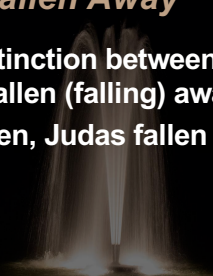
7 For land that has drunk the rain that often falls on it, and produces a crop useful to those for whose sake it is cultivated, receives a blessing from God. 8 But if it bears thorns and thistles, it is worthless and near to being cursed, and its end is to be burned.



17

Fallen vs Fallen Away

There is a distinction between fallen (falling) and fallen (falling) away. Peter was fallen, Judas fallen away.



18

Mark 4

And others are the ones sown among thorns. They are those who hear the word, 19 but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches and the desires for other things enter in and choke the word, and it proves unfruitful.

19

Hebrews 6

9 Though we speak in this way, yet in your case, beloved, we feel sure of better things—things that belong to salvation.

20

Stern Warning

Stern warning of clinging to others things rather than the anchor.

21

2 Thessalonians 2

Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day [day of the Lord] will not come, unless the rebellion [apostasia] comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction

22

2 Thessalonians 2 KJV

3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

23

It is wiser to ask, "are we drifting" rather than, "can we lose our salvation"?

24

It is well, with My Soul

When peace like a river attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to
say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."

25

Matthew 24:13

But the one who endures to the end will be
saved.

26

Romans 15:13

13 May the God of hope [fountain of hope]
fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you
may abound in [super-abundance] hope.

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