





Let Us Come to Jesus

- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 10:19** Since therefore, brethren, we have confidence to enter the holy place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by a new and living way which He inaugurated for us through the veil, that is, His flesh, ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us draw near with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful; ²⁴ and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵ not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more, as you see the day drawing near.



This is Urgent

- *and all the more [all of the above], as you see the day drawing near.*
- ^{NIV} **2 Timothy 3:1** But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. ² People [in the church] will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, ³ without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, ⁴ treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God-- ⁵ having a form of godliness but denying its power.
- ^{NIV} **2 Peter 3:3** First of all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires.
- ^{NAS} **Luke 18:8** "... However, when the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on the earth?"



Faith, Hope, and Love

- ^{NAS} **1 Corinthians 13:10** but when the perfect comes, the partial will be done away... ¹² For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face; now I know in part, but then I shall know fully just as I also have been fully known. ¹³ But now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.
- ^{NAS} **1 Thessalonians 1:2** We give thanks to God always for all of you, making mention of you in our prayers; ³ constantly bearing in mind your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the presence of our God and Father, ⁴ knowing, brethren beloved by God, His choice of you; ⁵ for our gospel did not come to you in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction ...



- ^{NAS} **1 Thessalonians 5:2** For you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord will come just like a thief in the night... ⁸ But since we are of the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet, the hope of salvation. ⁹ For God has not destined us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰ who died for us, that whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with Him. ¹¹ Therefore encourage one another, and build up one another, just as you also are doing.





Don't Play with Fire

- ^{NIV} **Hebrews 10:26** If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left,
- ^{NIV} **Hebrews 9:28** so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.
- ^{ESV} **Hebrews 10:12** But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, ... ¹⁸ Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.
- If we are in Christ his one sacrifice has perfected us forever, but if we reject Christ then his sacrifice does not apply to us.
 - Either no other sacrifice needed, or, no other sacrifice available.



- ^{NAS} **2 Peter 2:20** For if after they have escaped the defilements of the world by the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and are overcome, the last state has become worse for them than the first. ²¹ For it would be better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than having known it, to turn away from the holy commandment delivered to them. ²² It has happened to them according to the true proverb, "A dog returns to its own vomit," and, "A sow, after washing, returns to wallowing in the mire."
- ^{NAS} **Matthew 7:21** "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven; but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven. ²² "Many will say to Me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?' ²³ "And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness.'



We Will Reap what we Sow

- ^{NAS} **1 Corinthians 6:9** Or do you not know that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, ¹⁰ nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, shall inherit the kingdom of God. ¹¹ And such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and in the Spirit of our God.
- ^{NIV} **Galatians 6:7** Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. ⁸ The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. ⁹ Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.



This is Serious

- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 10:26** For if we **go on sinning willfully** after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, ²⁷ but a certain terrifying expectation of judgment, and the fury of a fire which will consume the adversaries. ²⁸ Anyone who has set aside the Law of Moses dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. ²⁹ How much severer punishment do you think he will deserve who has **trampled under foot the Son of God, and has regarded as unclean** the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has **insulted the Spirit of grace**?
- V. 27 Expectation: *"Prospect" is a better translation than "expectation. "This judgment is not merely what they expect. It is what lies before them whether or not they anticipate its arrival. – Cockerill*



The Righteous Judge

- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 10:30** For we know Him who said, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay." And again, "The Lord will judge His people." ³¹ It is a terrifying thing to fall into the hands of the living God.
- ^{NAS} **Deuteronomy 32:35** 'Vengeance is Mine, and retribution, In due time their foot will slip; For the day of their calamity is near, And the impending things are hastening upon them.'
 - *Vengeance*
- ^{NAS} **Deuteronomy 32:36** "For the LORD will vindicate His people, And will have compassion on His servants; When He sees that their strength is gone
 - *Judge*



Think Back

- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 10:32** But remember the former days, when, after being enlightened, you endured a great conflict of sufferings, ³³ partly, by being made a public spectacle through reproaches and tribulations, and partly by becoming sharers with those who were so treated. ³⁴ For you showed sympathy to the prisoners, and accepted joyfully the seizure of your property, knowing that you have for yourselves a better possession and an abiding one. ³⁵ Therefore, do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward.
- ^{NAS} **Philippians 1:27** Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ; ... ²⁹ For to you it has been granted for Christ's sake, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake,



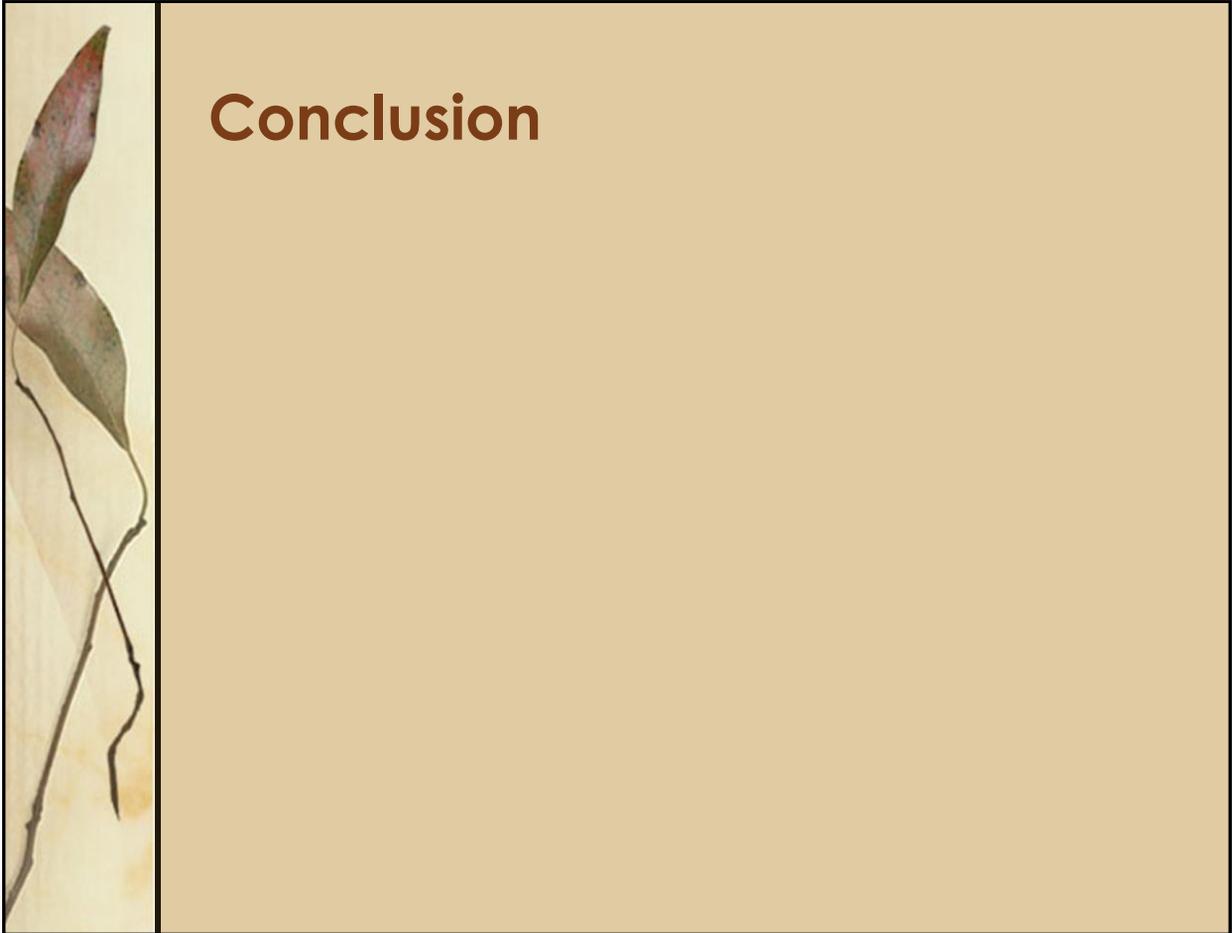
Hold Fast

- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 10:35** Therefore, do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. ³⁶ For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God, you may receive what was promised.
- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 4:14** Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.
- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 10:23** Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful;
- ^{KJV} **Hebrews 4:16** Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.



Persevere in the Faith

- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 10:37** For yet in a very little while, He who is coming will come, and will not delay. ³⁸ But My righteous one shall live by faith; And if he shrinks back, My soul has no pleasure in him. ³⁹ But we are not of those who shrink back to destruction, but of those who have faith to the preserving of the soul.
- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 3:6** but Christ was faithful as a Son over His house whose house we are, if we hold fast our confidence and the boast of our hope firm until the end.
- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 3:14** For we have become partakers of Christ, if we hold fast the beginning of our assurance firm until the end;



Conclusion



Enduring Faith

- ^{NAS} **John 3:16** "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life. ¹⁷ "For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world should be saved through Him.
- ^{ESV} **Romans 1:16** For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷ For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."
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Fight the Good Fight

- “Fight the good fight of faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called ... for God is the working one in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure”.
➤ *1 Tim 6:12 + Phil. 2:13*
- ^{KJV} **Hebrews 4:16** Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.