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## Hebrews Holding Fast

### Sanctified!

- Positionally—“we have been sanctified” (10:10)
- Progressively—“those who are being sanctified” (10:14)

### Perfected!

- “For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified” (10:14”
- Our relationship with God is complete and accomplished.

### Forgiven!

- “I will remember their sins . . . no more” (10:17)

### Hebrews 10:19-25: The Challenge

### Hebrews 10:26-31: The Warning

### Hebrews 10:32-39: Encouragement

#### Hebrews 10:32-39

*But recall the former days when, after you were enlightened, you endured a hard struggle with sufferings, sometimes being publicly exposed to reproach and affliction, and sometimes being partners with those so treated. For you had compassion on those in prison, and you joyfully accepted the plundering of your property, since you knew that you yourselves had a better possession and an abiding one. Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised. For,*

*“Yet a little while,  
and the coming one will come and will not delay;  
but my righteous one shall live by faith,  
and if he shrinks back,  
my soul has no pleasure in him.”*

*But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who have faith and preserve their souls.*

Hebrews 10:19-21

*Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God,*

**Therefore—Sanctified. Perfected. Forgiven.  
Confidence—parrhesia—boldness or freedom to speak**

**New—“freshly slain” prosphatos  
House of God—refers to believers in OT and**

**The Challenge (Hebrews 10:19-25)**

Hebrews 10:22

*let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.*

- **Let us draw near with assurance.**

Hebrews 4.16

*Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.*

**A Person Who Walks with God**

- **I am God’s friend and enjoy His company**
- **I am going in the same direction as God—shown to me in His Word.**
- **My love for God and my desire to please Him saturates my thoughts.**
- **I view my circumstances in light of my relationship with God.**
- **I seek God’s examination of my heart through reading His Word.**

Hebrews 10:23

*Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.*

- **Let us hold fast the confession.**

*Five million U. S. gamers play for more than forty hours a week. It’s questionable whether anyone could play that much and also practice the pure religion in James 1:27, which involves visiting orphans and widows in their distress and keeping ourselves “begin polluted by the world.” I don’t think we would need to engage in so many fantasy battles on screen if we were aware of the very real battles God asks us to get involved in.*

*-Steve Turner, Popcultured: Thinking Christianly About Style, Media, and Entertainment, p. 184*

Hebrews 10:24-25

*And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.*

- **Let us not neglect meeting together.**

**The Warning (Hebrews 10:26-31)**

*Hebrews 10:26-31*

*For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries. Anyone who has set aside the law of Moses dies without mercy on the evidence of two or three witnesses. How much worse punishment, do you think, will be deserved by the one who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has outraged the Spirit of grace? For we know him who said, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay." And again, "The Lord will judge his people." It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.*

*Galatians 6:7*

*Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap.*

*1 Timothy 5:24*

*The sins of some people are conspicuous, going before them to judgment, but the sins of others appear later.*

*2 Samuel 24.10*

*But David's heart struck him after he had numbered the people. And David said to the LORD, "I have sinned greatly in what I have done. But now, O LORD, please take away the iniquity of your servant, for I have done very foolishly."*

*2 Samuel 24:14-15*

*Then David said to Gad, "I am in great distress. Let us fall into the hand of the LORD, for his mercy is great; but let me not fall into the hand of man."*

*So the LORD sent a pestilence on Israel from the morning until the appointed time. And there died of the people from Dan to Beersheba 70,000 men.*