

***The Promise: Our Confidence - Part 2***

Hebrews 10:26-31

**INTRODUCTION:**

**I. Our Confidence (v.19)**

**A. Believers only**

1. This is a summary most immediately of Chps.7-10
2. In general, keeps the point of the entire letter in view

**B. Into the holy places**

1. Hebrews 8:2
2. Hebrews 9:8
3. Hebrews 9:12
4. Hebrews 9:24-25
5. Hebrews 13:11

**C. Through Christ alone**

1. By His blood
2. Through His flesh
  - a) Hebrews 6:19-20
  - b) Matthew 27:51
3. His mediation
4. As a Son

**II. Confidence to Draw Near (vv.19-22)**

**A. With a heart in full assurance of faith**

1. Hearts cleansed and being cleansed
2. Bodies washed purely

**B. With hearts that are cleansed**

1. From an evil conscience
2. Hebrews 9:9,14

**C. With bodies that are pure**

1. Ceremonial cleansing referenced
2. Could relate to baptism

**D. For worship**

1. This is the implication
2. Together
3. It is worship to wholly trust in Him
4. Hebrews 4:16

**III. Confidence to Endure (v.23)**

**A. Holding fast**

1. The confession
2. Without wavering
3. Hebrews 3:6,14
4. Hebrews 4:14

**B. Because Christ holds us**

1. Promise maker and keeper
2. **Hebrews 12:1-2** (for joyful pursuit)

- C. In the face of opposition**
1. False teachers
    - a) Judaizers
    - b) They are being tempted to go back to the the works of the law
  2. False believers
  3. Resultant discouragement & doubt
  4. The example of **Charles Simeon**

- a) Parakaleo
- b) To pray for, comfort
- c) Same word used to describe the Holy Spirit

**C. Looking to His coming**

1. Anticipation
2. Motivation
3. Stewardship
4. Together for His glory
  - a) Assurance is a community project
  - b) Evangelism is a community project
  - c) **John 13:35**

**IV. Confidence to Build up the Church (vv.24-25)**

- A. Stirring up the body**
1. Deliberating means
    - a) "Consider" means to observe, discover, perceive
    - b) This is not passive, lazy, and certainly not selfish
  2. Being provocative
    - a) Inciting
    - b) Not a guilt trip
  3. To love & good works
    - a) "Agape" - God's love
    - b) Useful, proper, beautiful labor
    - c) It's fitting

**CONCLUSION:**

- B. Meeting together regularly**
1. Not forsaking the saints
    - a) Means to abandon, to leave behind
    - b) Avoiding our tendency to recluse
  2. Encouraging one another