

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

OUTLINE - 10/20/13

HEBREWS 3:10-19

REVIEW: Hebrews 3:7 - 11 2nd passage of warning in Hebrews (see Psalm 95:7-11)

I. Stages of Israel's failure

- a. Not hearing God's voice
- b. Hardened their hearts (Acts 7:51)
- c. Tested God (see Psalm 78:40-41)
- d. Went astray in their hearts
- e. Did not know God's ways (see Psalm 103:7)

Hebrews 3:11

"I swore in My wrath" - God's ultimate emphasis

"Rest" - major theme of this section

Jeremiah 6:16

Hebrews 3:12-13

Unbelief is evil - unbelief is sin (see verse 13)

Not a weakness to be excused - a sin to repent of

What does the writer of Hebrews suggest as protection against unbelief?

1. Individually - "Beware" - take care
2. Collectively - encourage and exhort each other (Daily)

The deceitfulness of sin hardens our heart

Hebrews 3:14

Partakers of Christ

1. of His righteousness

Romans 5:17 & 2 Corinthians 5:21

2. of His life

Romans 6:23 & Colossians 3:4

3. of His sufferings

Romans 8:17

4. of His relationship with the Father (and His love) (and His glory)

John 17:20-26

5. of His total inheritance

John 16:14-15

Hebrews 1:2

Romans 8:17, 32

Partaking is conditional: "IF we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast to the end"

1. Confidence (Greek - not parresia) "hupostasis"

means "substance", "that which underlies something else", "assurance"

2. Steadfast to the end - again, forward and upward thinking

Hebrews 3:15

"Today if you will hear His voice"

The period that God's grace is available to us - today

2 Corinthians 6:2

Proverbs 27:1

Hebrews 16-19

Except for Joshua & Caleb, entire generation of Israelites who came out of Egypt under Moses failed to enter their inheritance & rest. This is a warning to all future generations.

1 Corinthians 10:1-12

Further description of Israel's failures (presented for our warning)

1. They lusted after evil things - verse 6
2. They became idolators - verse 7
3. They committed sexual immorality - verse 8
4. They tried or tested the Lord - verse 9
5. They grumbled - complained - verse 10

Root reason for failures: UNBELIEF

1. protect our faith
2. cultivate our faith

Our rest is found only in our inheritance - God's rest and inheritance linked

Deuteronomy 12:8-9