

The Peril of Not Progressing

Living Insight

Have you ever wondered why the Lord allows us to suffer? We are His people; His royal priesthood and holy nation. We may not have all of the answers to these difficult questions, but we do know that God will continue to love us through it all. The preacher who exhorted the Hebrews Christians in his letter wanted to encourage them to remain faithful even through the persecution and difficult times. He warned them and encouraged them to keep the faith. We may not face the same trials that these brothers faced, but our real challenge is similar. Keep on keeping on.

Grace and Peace through Christ,

~ Ed

Prayer Requests



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Hebrews 6:1-6



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Time: 11:00 a.m.

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- I. How Do We Offer Hope to the Hurting?**
- A. Our world is filled with people in pain.**
 1. We see hurting people everyday.
“They were harassed & helpless.”
 2. Are we moved with compassion?
 - B. The writer of Hebrews knew pain.**
 1. He wrote to encourage the saints.
 2. He knew the difficulties they faced.
 3. His message of hope: *“stay faithful”*.
 - C. He warned them about not growing.**
 1. There were dangers that they did not see.
 2. There were consequences they did not want to face.
- II. What Are the Perils of Not Progressing?**
- A. We must learn our lessons all over.**
 1. We should not stay on milk forever.
 2. Sometimes we repeat a grade spiritually.
 3. How we learn matters. (*Matthew 16:8*)
 - B. We are in danger of falling away. (6:6)**
 1. There are no stagnant Christians.
 2. We are either growing, drifting or falling.
~ Hebrews 2:1-3
 3. What may be affecting your outlook?
 - C. We could fall too far away.**
 1. Some people cannot be brought back.
 2. The world has a strong pull on people!
 3. There is a point of no return!
~ Luke 11:24-26

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- III. What is the Greatest Peril?**
- A. The greatest danger is to die in sin.**
 1. There are too many people like this.
 2. We must be urgent in reaching those who are lost.
 3. Hell is real!
 - B. We must be strong in 3 areas.**
 1. We must correct others in love.
~ 2 Timothy 4:1-2
 2. We must rebuke those who will not repent.
 3. We must continually encourage one another in Christ.

Special Update

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