

The Cross Road - You're Gonna Make It!

Road to the Resurrection - Week 3

How do we get there?

Hebrews 10:19-24

I. Full Assurance

A. Vs. 22 - Full Assurance of faith

1. We need to have fully convinced and assured ourselves in Christ.
 - a) Eph. 3:12-21
 - (1) When we assure ourselves focusing on the love of God and His son Jesus, then confidence and strength will come through His Spirit.
 - (2) But when we are focusing on the wrong things, fear will be present.
 - (a) Adam and Eve were immediately afraid of God and hid from His presence when they sinned.
 - (3) Jeremiah 17:7-8
 - b) Hebrews 2:14-15

B. Coming into the Holy of Holies freely with boldness in the old testament was never even a thought. It was always done with fear and trembling. Hoping that that they had effectively cleansed themselves before entering God's presence.

1. We have a "new and living way."
2. Boldness = boldness, freedom, liberty, openly (opposite of secretly)

II. Living in the Throne Room

A. Make up your mind to hold fast to your profession no matter what.

1. C. S. Lewis - "One always feels better when one has made up one's mind."

B. Vs. 23 - Without Wavering. = not leaning, firm, unbent, unyielding, resolute

1. Why would the author warn us to not waver if there wasn't going to be anything to tempt us to waver?
 - a) 1 Corin. 15:1-2 - "keep in memory" = Hold fast, bind, arrest; take possession of, lay hold of
 - (1) We have to make up our mind to stick to it no matter what. - We must "own it"

C. At the "cross roads" you have to make a decision and Christ paid too high a price for us to draw back and not be empowered by God's presence.

1. Don't let the work of Christ go to waste in your life just because things are hard. Or because they get easy!

D. The strength needed in order to hold fast will come from the presence of The Lord.

1. Acts 3:19
2. Encourage yourself in The Lord - Psalm 31:24 - "Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the Lord."

- a) If you do the work to stand up against the enemy trying to wear you down, stand up and take courage, and God will give you the strength that you need.
 - 3. The Throne Room is no place for a victimized mindset or for self-pity.
 - a) It is a place of reverence, thanksgiving, worship, and peace
 - b) Hebrews 10:39 - “We are not of those who draw back...”
 - (1) Keep pressing in!
 - (2) Hebrews 3:12 - and evil heart of unbelief
 - 4. Philip. 4:4-8
- III. Patience
- A. Heb. 10:32-34
 - 1. They were willing to put up a fight at the beginning of their faith, but they needed enduring strength to continue to fight unto the end.
 - B. Luke 21:16-19