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- \*The exhortation said positively is - **Believe God**. Walk by faith.

## \*Hebrews 3:6-8

“Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are His house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

**Therefore,** as the Holy Spirit says, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, on the day of testing in the wilderness”

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- \* **Examine your hearts:**
  - \* Are you complaining about anything? Are you discontented?
  - \* Are you murmuring...muttering under your breath about something?
  - \* Are you quarreling with anyone? Are you arguing with God?
  - \* Are you questioning God's presence in your life? In your circumstances?

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- \* The issue that we must deal with is a heart of unbelief.
- \* Unbelief is sin.

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- \* **Green: Hebrews 6:10** <sup>10</sup> For God *is* not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have shown toward His name, *in that* you have ministered to the saints, and do minister.
- \* **Blue: Hebrews 10:32-33** <sup>32</sup> But recall the former days in which, after you were illuminated, you endured a great struggle with sufferings: <sup>33</sup> partly while you were made a spectacle both by reproaches and tribulations, and partly while you became companions of those who were so treated
- \* **Purple: Hebrews 11:13 says** <sup>13</sup> These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off were assured of them, embraced them and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth

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- \* Yellow-green - don't neglect your great salvation: don't drift away from the message of God. Hebrews 2:1-3
- \* Yellow - take great caution: don't doubt the word of God. Don't let there be a heart of unbelief in you. Hebrews 3:7-19
- \* Orange - Alert! Take extra caution - don't be sluggish toward the word of God. Don't be spiritually apathetic or lazy. Hebrews 5:11-6:20
- \* Red - don't despise the word of God. Don't stand in willful disobedience to what He says. Hebrews 10:26-39
- \* Red - Extreme consequences. Don't defy God's Word. Lack of desire for God's word and lack of faith in God's word will result in painful discipline of the Lord. Hebrews 12:14-29

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\* **1 John 2:19** <sup>19</sup> They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out that they might be made manifest, that none of them were of us.

\* **John 10:28-29** <sup>28</sup> "And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. <sup>29</sup> "My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand.