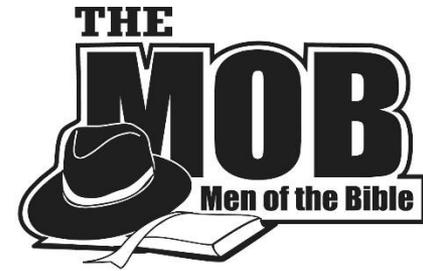




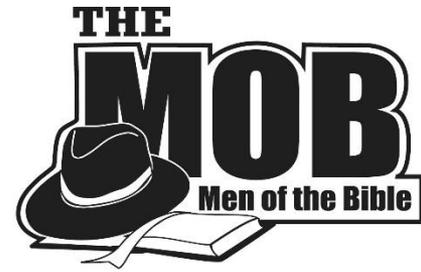
Announcements



- Welcome to the MOB! www.ibcmob.net
- After action review from Men's "Breakfast with Champions" with special guest Congressman Steve Russell, LTC, U.S. Army, Ret. on hunting and capturing Saddam Hussein January 7th
- Please pray for our Nation as we prepare for another transition in National leadership



Memory Verse



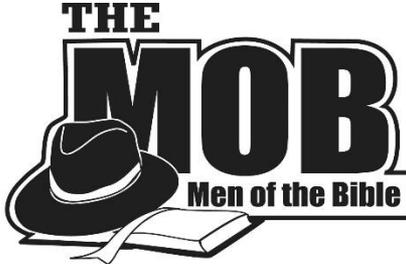
Hebrews 10:23-25 (ESV)

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Hebrews 10:23-25 (ESV)



Hebrews Outline

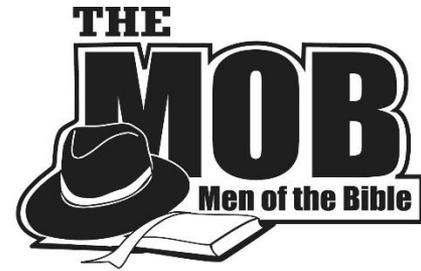


Focus	Christ's Person			Christ's Work			Walk of Faith		
Reference	1:1-3	1:4 – 2:18	3:1 – 4:13	4:14 – 7:28	8:1-13	9:1 – 10:18	10:19 – 11:40	12:1-29	13:1-25
Division	Christ Superior to the Prophets	Christ Superior to the Angels	Christ Superior to Moses	Christ's Superior Priesthood	Christ's Superior Covenant	Christ's Superior Sanctuary & Sacrifice	Assurance of Faith	Endurance of Faith	Exhortation to Love
Topic	Majesty of Christ			Ministry of Christ			Ministers for Christ		
	Doctrine						Discipline		
Location & Time	Place of writing unknown . Probably written around 64-68 AD								





Last Meeting



Moving from the Imperfect to the Perfect

Review: [Hebrews 1 – 9](#)

Study: [Hebrews 10:1-18](#)

[Exodus 24:1-8](#)

[Exodus 29:38-46](#)

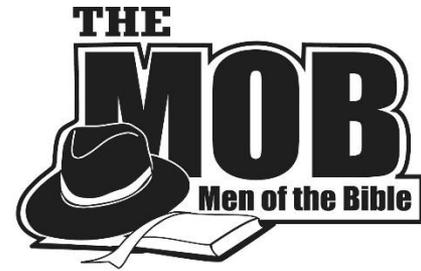
[Leviticus 16:1-22](#)

[Matthew 9:10-13](#)

Encountering Chapter 10A, pages 127-132



This Meeting



Faithfulness, Apostasy, and Endurance

Review: [Hebrews 1 – 10:1-18](#)

Study: [Hebrews 10:19-39](#)

[Ezekiel 36:22-36](#)

[Mark 15:33-39](#)

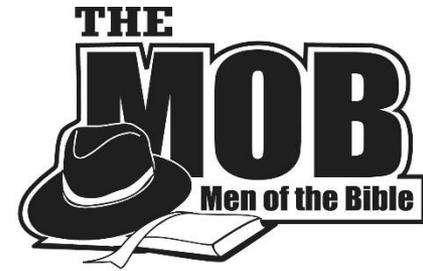
[1 Corinthians 13](#)

Encountering Chapter 10B, pages 133-140

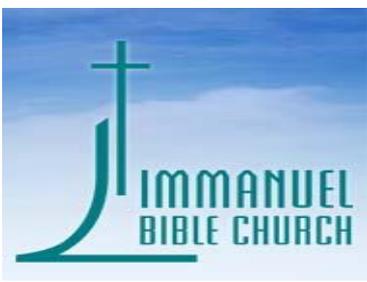


Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV)

Full Assurance of Faith

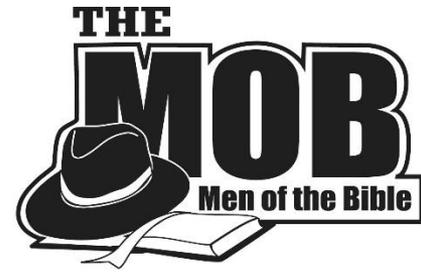


¹⁹ Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.



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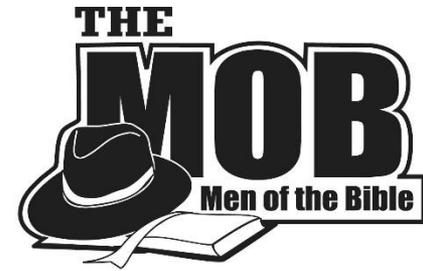
²⁶ For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, ²⁷ but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries.

²⁸ Anyone who has set aside the law of Moses dies without mercy on the evidence of two or three witnesses. ²⁹ How much worse punishment, do you think, will be deserved by the one who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has outraged the Spirit of grace? ³⁰ For we know him who said, “Vengeance is mine; I will repay.” And again, “The Lord will judge his people.” ³¹ It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.



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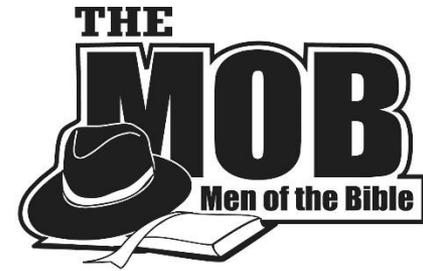


³² But recall the former days when, after you were enlightened, you endured a hard struggle with sufferings, ³³ sometimes being publicly exposed to reproach and affliction, and sometimes being partners with those so treated. ³⁴ For you had compassion on those in prison, and you joyfully accepted the plundering of your property, since you knew that you yourselves had a better possession and an abiding one. ³⁵ Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. ³⁶ For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised.



Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV)

Full Assurance of Faith



³⁷ For,

“Yet a little while,
and the coming one will come and will not delay;

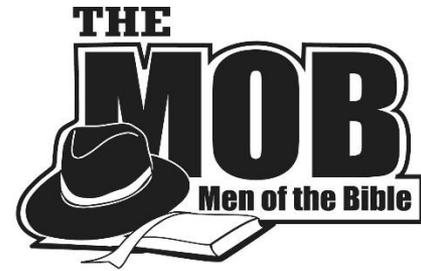
³⁸ but my righteous one shall live by faith,
and if he shrinks back,
my soul has no pleasure in him.”

³⁹ But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who have faith and preserve their souls.



Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV)

Background



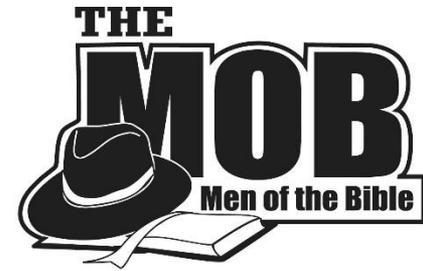
Concerning **Hebrews**, theologian and author **A. M. Hodgkin** wrote in his book [*Christ in All the Scriptures*](#):

“The glories of our Savior are exhibited in this Epistle; it is one of the most precious books in the Bible. It has been called “The Fifth Gospel.” Four describe Christ’s **ministry on earth**, this describes His **ministry in heaven**. It was written to Hebrew disciples, probably of Jerusalem, to avert the danger of their drifting back into Judaism. They are exhorted to let go everything else, in order to hold fast the faith and hope of the Gospel.”



Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV)

Roll-up of Fall Semester



Hebrews 10:19-39 (from J. Sidlow Baxter, in Precept Austin)

1. JESUS - THE NEW AND "BETTER" DELIVERER (Hebrews 1 - 7)

Jesus the God-Man - better than angels (Hebrews 1:1-2:18)

Jesus the new Apostle - better than Moses (Hebrews 3:1-19)

Jesus the new Leader - better than Joshua (Hebrews 4:1-13)

Jesus the new priest - better than Aaron (Hebrews 4:14-7)

2. CALVARY - THE NEW AND "BETTER" COVENANT (Hebrews 8:1 - 10:18)

New covenant has better promises (Hebrews 8:6-13)

And it opens up a better sanctuary (Hebrews 9:1-14)

And is sealed by a better sacrifice (Hebrews 9:15-28)

And it achieves far better results (Hebrews 10:1-18)

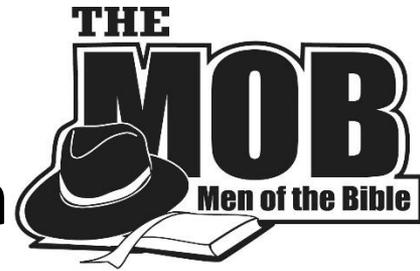
3. FAITH - THE TRUE AND "BETTER" PRINCIPLE (Hebrews 10:19-39)

Faith the true response to these "better" things (Hebrews 10:19-39)



Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV)

Observation & Interpretation



Hebrews 10:19-20

Observation (O):

When a Gentile like the Philippian jailor is dealt with about his soul, the approach is, “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved” ([Acts 16:31](#)). When a Jew is appealed to, the approach is in terms of First (Old) Testament typology as we have it in [Hebrews 10:19-20](#).

Interpretation (I):

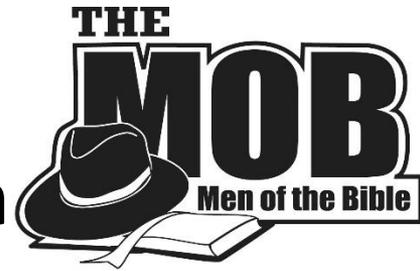
The exhortation to enter into the Holy of Holies of heaven by the blood of Jesus would bring to the Jewish reader’s mind the picture of the High Priest in Israel on the Day of Atonement entering the Tabernacle for him. He stood in the Holy of Holies, not actually, but in the person of the High Priest, who was functioning as their mediator.

Application: When sharing the Gospel, adapt our approach to our audience.



Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV)

Observation & Interpretation



Hebrews 10:19-25 – A Gracious Invitation (from [The Weirsbe Bible Commentary: the Complete New Testament](#))

O: No Old Testament worshipper would be so bold as to enter the Holy of Holies; even the High Priest entered just once a year, and only after thorough preparations. The thick veil separated the holy place from the Holy of Holies, and was a barrier between people and God.

I: A new High Priest needed to tear open the veil (provide access) to the heavenly sanctuary.

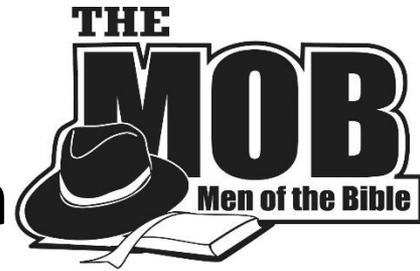
A: The death of Christ tore open that veil; His sacrifice is a gracious invitation:

- “Let us draw near...”
- “Let us hold fast...”
- “Let us consider one another.”



Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV)

Observation & Interpretation



Hebrews 10:19-25 – A Gracious Invitation (con't)

O: “Let us draw near...”

Old Testament High Priest visited the Holy of Holies once a year; we have an open invitation to enter the presence of God to dwell with His presence every day.

I: We must prepare ourselves spiritually.

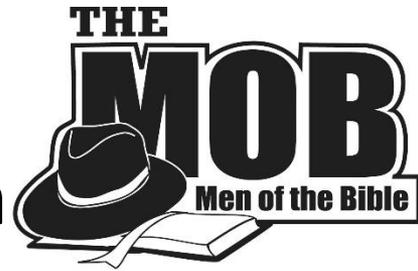
- [Leviticus 16](#) - OT High Priest annually went through washings and sprinklings of blood
- [Exodus 30:18-21](#) – OT daily ministry, the priest used the laver to wash
- [1 John 1:5-2:2](#) – NT Christian must come to God with a pure heart and a clean conscience.

A: Bottom line: Fellowship with God requires purity.



Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV)

Observation & Interpretation



Hebrews 10:19-25 – A Gracious Invitation (con't)

O: “Let us hold fast...”

The Jewish believers were considering reneging on their confession of faith in Christ by returning to their OT worship.

I: The author did not exhort them to hold on to their salvation, because their security was in Christ, not themselves (see [Hebrews 7:25](#)).

Hebrews emphasizes the glorious hope of the believer.

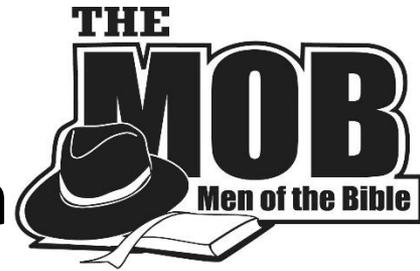
- [Hebrews 2:10](#) – God is “...bringing many sons unto glory”
- [Hebrews 3:1](#) – Believers are “...partakers of the heavenly calling”
- [Hebrews 9:28](#) – Believers have a real hope in Christ’s return
- [Hebrews 13:14](#) – Believers are looking for the city that is yet to come

A: When our hope is fixed on Christ and the faithfulness of God, we will not waiver or look back. Stay focused on looking forward.



Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV)

Observation & Interpretation



Hebrews 10:19-25 – A Gracious Invitation (con't)

O: “Let us consider one another.”

We must fellowship with other believers and should not allow our relationship with God to become selfish (self-centered).

I: It is important what a believer contributes to the fellowship; not what we get from the church of believers.

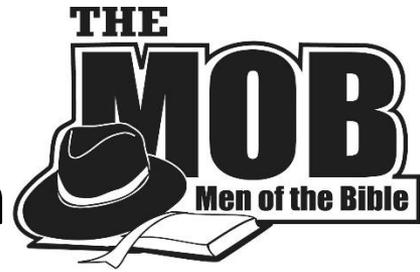
- Apparently some of the wavering Jewish believers had been excusing themselves from worshiping in the assembly of believers.
- Faithfulness in church attendance encourages others and helps spur others to love and good works.
- [Hebrews 10:25](#) – The term “assembling” is also used in [1 Thessalonians 2](#), where it deals with the coming of Christ.

A: Encourage one another by our good behavior and our intentional actions.



Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV)

Observation & Interpretation



Hebrews 10:19-25 – A Gracious Invitation (con't)

O: Three great Christian virtues of faith, hope, and love are captured here in this short section:

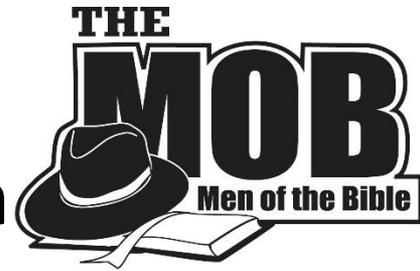
- [Hebrews 10:22](#) - “Let us draw near...,” represents “Faith”
- [Hebrews 10:23](#) - “Let us hold fast...,” represents “Hope”
- [Hebrews 10:24](#) - “Let us consider one another,” represents “Love”

I: These are the fruit of our fellowship with God in His heavenly sanctuary.



Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV)

Observation & Interpretation



Hebrews 10:26-31 – A solemn exhortation

O: This section is fourth of five exhortations in Hebrews

- [Hebrews 2:1-4](#) – A believer who begins to **drift** from the Word...
- [Hebrews 3:7-4:13](#) – Will then begin to **doubt** the Word...
- [Hebrews 5:11-6:20](#) – Will become **dull** towards the Word and spiritually lazy in his walk
- [Hebrews 10:26-31](#) – Will come to **despise** the Word

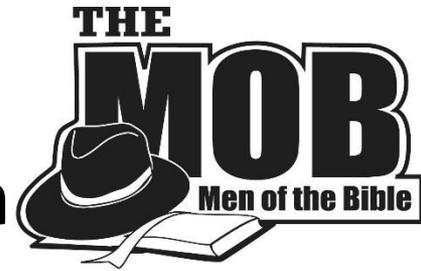
I: The evidence of “despising” the Word is willful sin:

- An attitude that leads to repeated disobedience; willfully continuing to go on sinning
- [Exodus 21:12-14](#) – In OT, there were no sacrifices for deliberate sins
- [Deuteronomy 17:1-7](#) – Sinners who despised the Mosaic law and broke it were to be executed
- [Hebrews 10:29](#) – Arrogant attitude cheapens the blood that saved us and insults the Holy Spirit



Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV)

Observation & Interpretation



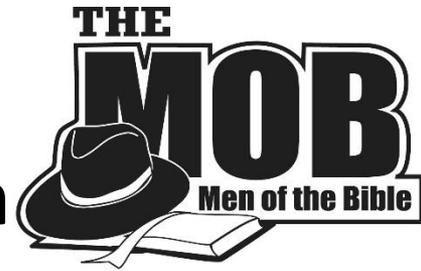
Hebrews 10:26-31 – A solemn exhortation (con't)

- A:** Just as OT law carried serious consequences, so too does the NT:
- [Hebrews 10:27](#) – “...only a fearful expectation of judgement and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God.”
 - [Hebrews 10:29](#) – “How much more severely do you think a man deserves to be punished who has trampled the Son of God under foot... and insulted the Spirit of grace?”
 - We have been given access to the Throne through the High Priest. Leverage that access to ask God for wisdom for our role to pursue and the fortitude to accomplish our mission. Fulfill our calling!



Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV)

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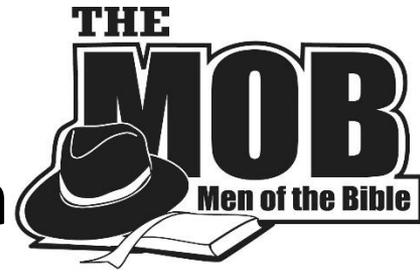
Hebrews 10:32-39 – An encouraging confirmation

- O:** The author concludes his exhortation with words of encouragement and confirmation.
- I:** His readers had given every evidence that they were true Christians.
- The Jewish converts had previously demonstrated their commitment; they endured persecution, the confiscation of their goods and property, and stood with other Christians who were in danger, even imprisonment. They had shown great confidence.
 - Now they were at risk of casting away their boldness by retreating to the safety and comfort of their former (OT) religious practices.
 - [Hebrews 6:1](#) – Believers who live by faith will, “go on to perfection.”
 - [Hebrews 10:39](#) – Those who live by sight, “shrink back and are destroyed”
 - The secret of the believers’ victory was in their courageous endurance, a product of their “faith” and “patience”.



Hebrews 10:19-39 (ESV)

Observation & Interpretation



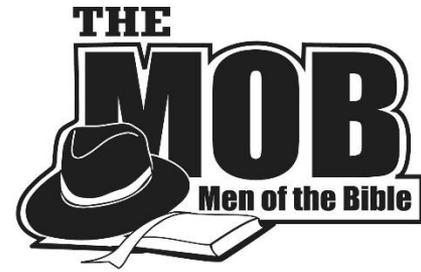
Hebrews 10:32-39 – An encouraging confirmation (con't)

A: We are not just saved (from our sins) by faith, **we must also live by faith.** This is the theme of [Hebrews 11 - 13](#).

- We can be confident that as we walk in faith, our Great High Priest will guide us and perfect us.



Next Meeting



Supreme Examples of Faith: Abel

Review: [Hebrews 1 – 10](#)

Study: [Hebrews 11:1-4](#)

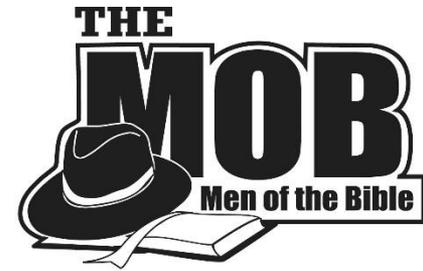
[Genesis 4:1-16](#)

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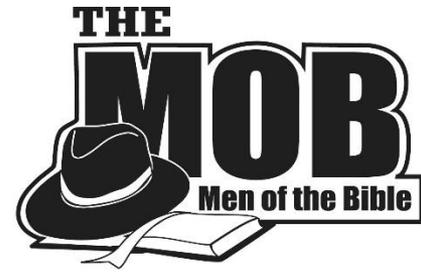
Application / Discussion



1. Do the temptations of the NT Jewish converts to leave their Christian faith apply to us in 2017? (See Hagner, page 136, info box)
2. After reading [Hebrews 10:26-31](#), is there reason to doubt the final judgement for those who reject the atoning sacrifice of Christ?
3. What are the appropriate Christian actions and the rewards of persevering through “sufferings,” “reproaches,” “tribulations,” and “confiscation of property”?



Closing



- Questions?
- Comments?
- Closing Prayer