



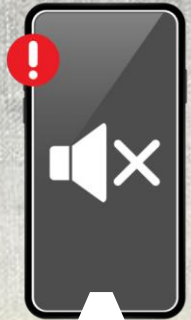
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A journey through Hebrews

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Please turn to **HEBREWS 6:1-12**

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¹ Therefore let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God,

² and of instruction about washings, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment.
³ And this we will do if God permits.

4 For it is impossible, in the case of those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, and have shared in the Holy Spirit,

⁵ and have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the age to come, ⁶ and then have fallen away, to restore them again to repentance,

since they are crucifying once again the Son of God to their own harm and holding him up to contempt. ⁷ For land that has drunk the rain that often falls on it,

and produces a crop useful to those
for whose sake it is cultivated,
receives a blessing from God.
⁸ But if it bears thorns and thistles,
it is worthless and near to being
cursed, and its end is to be burned.

⁹ Though we speak in this way,
yet in your case, beloved, we feel
sure of better things—things that
belong to salvation. ¹⁰ For God is not
unjust so as to overlook your work

and the love that you have shown
for his name in serving the saints,
as you still do. ¹¹ And we desire each
one of you to show the same
earnestness to have the full
assurance of hope until the end,

12 so that you may not be sluggish,
but imitators of those who
through faith and patience
inherit the promises.



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“This warning passage is one of the most controversial in Hebrews, and has occasioned considerable discomfort in the history of interpretation. It has often troubled earnest Christians



apparently raising doubts
about their assurance
of salvation, an assurance
that appears to be so
clearly affirmed in
Romans 5 and 8,
and John 6.”

Peter T. O'Brien





THEREFORE.

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the elementary doctrine of
Christ and go on to maturity,
not laying again a foundation...

**LET US
PRESS ON
TO PERFECTION.**





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And this **we** will do if God permits.

Though we speak in this way,
yet in your case, beloved,
we feel sure of better things —
things that belong to salvation.

so that you may not be sluggish...

¹¹ About this we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing. ¹² For though by this time you ought to be teachers,

you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food, ¹³ for everyone who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, since he is a child.

14 But solid food is for the mature,
for those who have their powers
of discernment trained by constant
practice to distinguish good from evil.



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PROTRACTED INFANCY



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**SPIRITUAL GIFTS
WITHOUT SPIRITUAL
MATURITY ALWAYS
LEADS TO ABUSE.**

**LET US
PRESS ON
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[There are] better things
that belong to salvation.

“Surely I will bless you
and multiply you.”

Believe you have
everything you need.



Believe you have
everything you need.

Be brutally honest
with yourself.



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with yourself.

Embrace the journey.



19 We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, **20** where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.



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On your journey
toward perfection,
what do you need
to leave in this room
and what do you need
to take with you?





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