

1 Corinthians 13:11

When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child,
I reasoned like a child. When I became [an adult],
I gave up childish ways.

Hebrews 3:6b-19

1. The warnings were to a mixed group of both actual believers in Jesus and people who identified as and/or professed to be believers in Jesus but were not. So the warnings are primarily directed to non-believers who considered themselves to be Christians when they weren't. Jesus also warned of this in Matthew 7:21-13.

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2. The warnings were to believers in Jesus who were in danger of losing the joy and reward of faithful service to Jesus but were not in danger of losing their salvation.

[Tom Constable, James Draper, Walter Henrichsen, Randall Gleason]

3. The warnings were to believers in Jesus who were caused to remain faithful by the warnings given to them in this letter.

[Thomas Schreiner, Warren W. Wiersbe, Homer Kent, Thomas Hewitt, Albert Barnes, W. H. Griffith Thomas, John Lange, Charles Erdman, Clarence Roddy, Theodore Robinson]

4. The warnings were to believers in Jesus who were in the process of serious backsliding in their spiritual lives, and if they continued in that direction to the point of denying and rejecting Jesus, they would lose their salvation but could, in the future, return to God if they repented.

[Ben Witherington, B. F. Westcott, Charles Carter, D. D. Whedon]

5. The warnings were to believers in Jesus who were in the process of serious backsliding in their spiritual lives and if they continued in that direction to the point of denying and rejecting Jesus, they would lose their salvation with no ability to return to God.

[Grant Osborne, Scot McKnight, R. C. H. Lenski, James Moffatt, Robert Picirilli, B. F. Westcott, Stephen Ashby, Franz Delitzsch, W. F. Moulton, Marcus Dods, John Wesley]

6. None of the Above

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Hebrews 3:6b

And we are his house, if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

Hebrews 3:7-8a

Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says, [in Psalm 95:7-11]
“Today, if you hear his voice, ⁸do not harden your hearts...

Hebrews 3:8-9

do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, on the day of testing in the wilderness, ⁹where your fathers put me to the test and saw my works for forty years.

Hebrews 3:10-11

Therefore I was provoked with that generation, and said,
'They always go astray in their heart; they have not known my
ways.' ¹¹As I swore in my wrath, 'They shall not enter my rest.'

"God's first impulse is never punishment; it is always love. He does not enjoy our struggle; he weeps with us. He does not mock our pain; he joins in our pain in the incarnation of Jesus. This is his heart. ... When he punishes, he does so only if there is no other way toward his higher purposes. His anger and love are not equal parts of His character. Anger is only ever exhibited as God's righteous response to sin damaging his creatures in the world."

Hope A. Blanton, Christine B. Gordon, *Lamentations*, p. 49

Hebrews 3:12-13

Take care, brothers [and sisters], lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God.
¹³But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.

Hebrews 3:14-19

For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. ¹⁵As it is said, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion." ¹⁶For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? ¹⁷And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? ¹⁸And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? ¹⁹So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

The Roman Creed

I believe in God the Father almighty;
and in Christ Jesus His only Son, our Lord,
 Who was born from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
 Who under Pontius Pilate was crucified and buried,
 on the third day rose again from the dead,
 ascended to heaven,
 sits at the right hand of the Father,
 whence He will come to judge the living and the dead,

The Roman Creed

and in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Church,
the remission of sins,
the resurrection of the flesh
the life everlasting.

1 Corinthians 11:23-28

For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

1 Corinthians 11:23-28

In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

1 Corinthians 11:23-28

Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup.

Matthew 6:9-13

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.