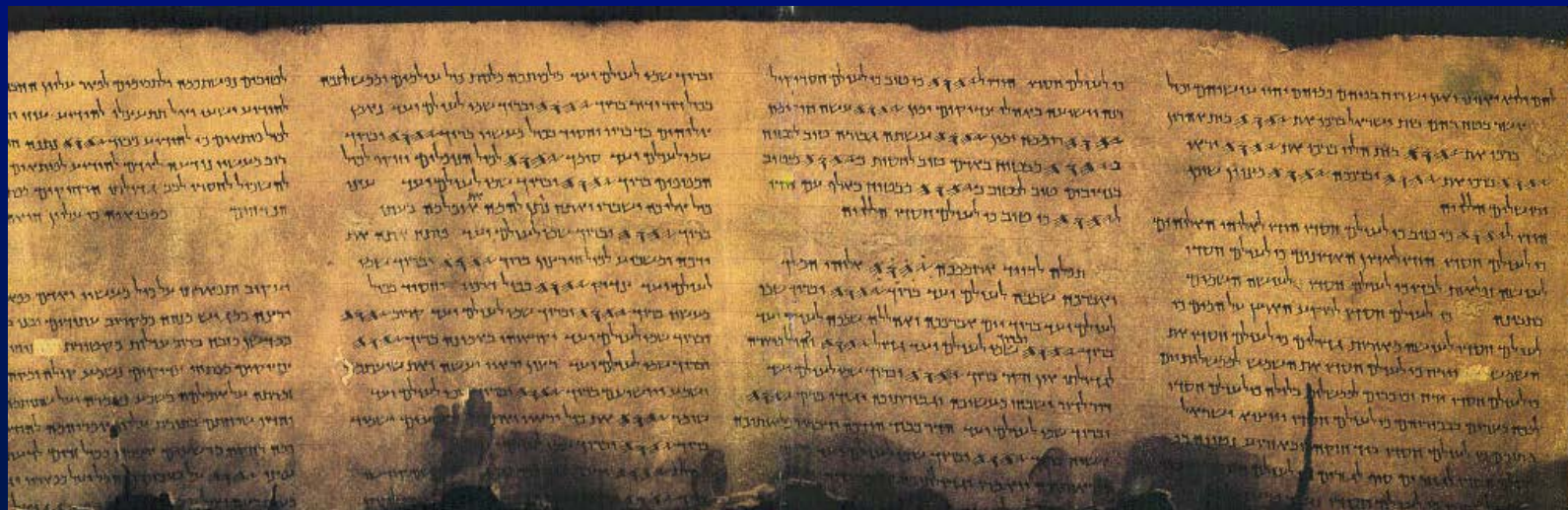


# Hebrews 3:7-11

## Warning Against Unbelief (Part 1)





# Last time in Sojourners...

## ■ Hebrews 3:1-6

- Jesus is better and greater than Moses
  - Because of His position (v1)
  - Because He is the Builder (vv2-4)
    - Greater glory in His creation of all things
    - Greater glory in His covenant
  - Because of His Sonship (vv5-6)



**Hebrews 3:3a:** For He has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses

# Today in Sojourners...

**Hebrews 3:7-11** <sup>7</sup>Therefore, just as the Holy Spirit says,  
“TODAY IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE,  
<sup>8</sup>DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS AS WHEN THEY PROVOKED ME,  
AS IN THE DAY OF TRIAL IN THE WILDERNESS,  
<sup>9</sup>WHERE YOUR FATHERS TRIED *Me* BY TESTING *Me*,  
AND SAW MY WORKS FOR FORTY YEARS.  
<sup>10</sup>THEREFORE I WAS ANGRY WITH THIS GENERATION,  
AND SAID, ‘THEY ALWAYS GO ASTRAY IN THEIR HEART,  
AND THEY DID NOT KNOW MY WAYS’;  
<sup>11</sup>AS I SWORE IN MY WRATH,  
‘THEY SHALL NOT ENTER MY REST.’ ”

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## ■ The Inspiration of Scripture - and the Warning (v7a)

- The Holy Spirit is said to be the One who speaks the words of Psalm 95
- This is one of the clearest testimonies in Scripture as to its own divine inspiration


**2 Peter 1:21** <sup>21</sup>for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

**2 Timothy 3:16** <sup>16</sup>All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness

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- **The Inspiration of Scripture - and of this Warning (v7a)**
- **The Example of Unfaithfulness (vv8b-11)**
  - Israel in the wilderness - quoting Psalm 95:7-11
    - *Their sin (vv8b-10)*
      - They rebelled and tested God despite seeing His works
    - *Their sentence (v11)*
      - God was provoked and swore in His wrath that they would not enter His rest

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- The Inspiration of Scripture - and of this Warning (v7a)
- The Example of Unfaithfulness (vv8b-11)
- The Exhortation to be Faithful (vv7b-8a)
  -  **WARNING** Do not harden your hearts! (v8a)



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- The Inspiration of Scripture - and of this Warning (v7a)
- The Example of Unfaithfulness (vv8b-11)

**Hebrews 3:8** DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS AS WHEN THEY PROVOKED ME, AS IN THE DAY OF TRIAL IN THE WILDERNESS

**Hebrews 3:13** But encourage one another day after day, as long as it is *still* called “Today,” so that **none of you will be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.**


**Hebrews 3:15** while it is said, “TODAY IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE, **DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS**, AS WHEN THEY PROVOKED ME.”

**Hebrews 4:7** He again fixes a certain day, “Today,” saying through David after so long a time just as has been said before, “TODAY IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE, **Do NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS.**”



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- The Inspiration of Scripture - and of this Warning (v7a)
- The Example of Unfaithfulness (vv8b-11)
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-  **WARNING** Do not harden your hearts! (v8a)
- The time of decision (v7b)
  - Today!

**2 Corinthians 6:2b** Behold, **now** is the favorable time; behold, **now** is the day of salvation.

- While you can still hear

**1 Timothy 4:2** through the insincerity of liars **whose** consciences are seared

# Key Points

- Do not harden your heart in any respect toward the gospel and Jesus Christ through unbelief
- Because Christ is greater than Moses, to reject Him yields a greater judgment than those in rebellion under Moses
- Don't go back to your former ways!
- Embrace salvation and life in Christ – today and forever!

# For Discussion

- **Is there an area of your life where you are not believing and trusting in Christ as you should?**