

“Remember Your Confidence”

A Sermon on Hebrews 3:7-19

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Sermon Text

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Spiritual Growth Questions
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1. Read Hebrews 3 as a whole. What stands out to you about this Chapter?
2. Looking at verses 7-11, what stands out to you as you read this passage? What is it about the Israelites that made them unable to enter into God’s rest? What thoughts come to mind when you put yourself in place of the Israelites?
3. Read Hebrews 3:15-19. What are your initial thoughts after reading this section? Is this passage in any way convicting? What helps you during storms of unbelief?
4. Read Hebrews 3:12-14 and 2 Timothy 4:1-2. How should we build one another up as the body of Christ during times of uncertainty?
5. What are some bible verses that you would use to encourage a brother or sister in Christ who is struggling with doubt?
6. What helps you to hold onto the original confidence you had when you first believed?