HEBREWS

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## THE PERIL OF UNBELIEF

Hebrews 3:7-19

Discuss review questions from the previous lesson.		
	a. Why do you think the author used the words, "as the Holy Spirit says," in verse 7?	
	b. In 10 words or less, what is the message of verses 7-11?	
2.	In Psalm 78:32-37, what characteristics are revealed about the Israelites during the Exodus period?	
3.	a. Who is the speaker in verse 10?	
	<ul><li>b. Explain to the best of your ability these phrases from verses 10-11:</li><li>1) "They always go astray in their heart."</li></ul>	
	2) "They have not known My ways."	
	3) "They shall not enter My rest."	
	7 3: HEBREWS 3:12-14—COUNSEL FOR THE PRESENT  Read 2 Peter 1:5-8 with Hebrews 3:12. From these passages, what can believers do to guard their hearts so they don't "fall away from the living God"?	
5.	Read Ephesians 4:29-32 with Hebrews 3:13. From these verses, what can believers do to encourage and help one another mature in faith?	

6. What are the similarities between Hebrews 3:6 and 3:14?

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	4: HEBREWS 3:15-17—A WARNING
1.	a. Why do you think the author repeats the psalmist's words in Hebrews 3:7-8, 15?
	b. Summarize the historical situation the author is remembering. (See Numbers 13:26–14:24.)
8.	a. Read verses 16-17. To whom do these questions refer?
	b. Reread Hebrews 2:2-4. To whom is the author of Hebrews asking the question in verse 3?
	c. How do these two Scripture passages relate to you?
Das	5: HEBREWS 3:18-19—"WE SEE" THE REASON FOR LOSS
	Why did God withdraw the benefit of rest from a generation of Israelites?
10.	How is unbelief fostered in our own time?
11.	What words and ideas come to mind when you think of "His rest" (3:18)?
12.	Has there been an occasion in your own life when a specific choice was pivotal in your spiritual or personal growth? How did your choice make a difference?

## **DAY 6: PARTICIPATE IN CLASS**

APPLY what you have learned. We constantly face choices, and our decisions can have important consequences. Are there any areas where you sometimes waver in doubt rather than trusting God? What are some ways you can choose to turn from unbelief, and instead, encourage faith in your own life and in the lives of others?