



Group Discussion and Application

1. If genuine believers cannot lose their salvation, how do you explain a warning against apostasy (abandoning faith in Christ) addressed to believers (*holy brethren, who share in a heavenly calling*—v.1)?
2. What does it mean to “*consider*” Jesus? How do we do this? What do we discover as we consider Jesus?
3. In functional terms how do we “*hold fast*” to our confession (vv.1,6,14)?
4. What specific actions can we perform to “*take care*” to avoid an evil, unbelieving heart (v.12)?
5. Discuss and illustrate the following principles from v.13.
 - Sin’s deceitfulness
 - Sin’s hardening
6. What does it mean to “*exhort*”? Suggest some specific, practical ways we can exhort one another daily.
7. What is the relationship between faith and obedience (cf. vv.18,19)?



Personal Reflection and Response

1. How firm is your confession of Christ?
2. What obedient action/response has Christ been calling for in your life? How have you responded? What specific action will you take this week?
3. Who do you know that needs spiritual exhortation/encouragement? How will you minister to this person? (Be specific)
4. Who holds you accountable for growth in your Christian walk? If you have no one, who could you ask to do this?



Family Homework

1. Take some time as a family to “*consider*” Jesus. What are some of your favorite stories and Bible verses about Him? What does each teach?
2. Define “*deceive*”. Explain how sin deceives?
3. How can family members help one another hold firmly to faith in Christ?



Avoiding Apostasy

Hebrews 3:1-19

Five actions to avoid apostasy:

- 1 _____ Jesus.
- 2 _____ our _____.
- 3 Take _____ , _____ action.
- 4 _____ one another.
- 5 _____ past lessons.