



Group Discussion and Application

1. Share your own observations and questions related to our text.
2. In view of the spiritual immaturity and laziness of many in our day, why do we hear so few spiritual warnings issued? What is the result?
3. Why is it difficult to issue spiritual warnings to others?
4. What instruction does Scripture give us regarding confronting others?
5. What effect have expressions of confidence in your Christian growth and commendation of your ministry had on you?
6. Why do we often fail to commend others and express confidence in their spiritual growth?
7. What makes the combined expression of warning and encouragement effective? What happens when warnings are issued without encouragement? Encouragement without warning?
8. How is spiritual perseverance developed?
9. Some use today's text to teach that a person may lose his/her salvation. What passages would you use to refute this?



Personal Reflection and Response

1. What must you do to develop greater perseverance in your spiritual growth?
2. Whom do you know who needs spiritual warning? Encouragement?
3. Do a study of the preservation & perseverance of the saints.



Family Homework

1. Recall some of the warnings you have heard, read, or seen this week. What is the purpose and value of warnings? Consequences of ignoring?
2. Define these terms: *apostasy*; *perseverance*.
3. Have each person describe the next step they need to take in their spiritual growth. Brainstorm as a family on how each might take that growth step.



Stimulating the Spiritually Stagnant (Part 2) Hebrews 6:4-12

How shall we stimulate the spiritually stagnant to growth?

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| 1 | <i>Confront</i> the <u>condition</u> . [5:11-14] |
| 2 | <i>Push</i> toward <u>maturity</u> . [6:1-2] |
| 3 | <i>Remember</i> God <u>produces</u> growth [6:3] |

4 _____ against _____. [6:4-8]

5 _____ with _____. [6:9-10]

6 _____ to _____. [6:11-12]