



INTRODUCTION

Apostasy is a terrible thing. The warning against it is perhaps one of the weightiest warnings in all of scripture. The author of Hebrews desperately warns his hearers to not abandon such a great salvation.

INSTRUCTIONS

This guide is meant to facilitate discussion which will lead to a response to God's word. Therefore, please use it as a tool that best fits the needs of your small group.

OPENING DISCUSSION

- What was your biggest take-away from the sermon?
- What did you find compelling, helpful, or challenging?

REVIEW

- Have someone read **Hebrews 6:4-12**
- What is the author of Hebrews main idea in this text?
- What is impossible in this text?
- What are each of the descriptions of the apostate and why do they sound like a believer?
- What is an apostate doing to Christ according to this passage?
- What is the illustration communicating?
- Can we have assurance of salvation?
- What does the author of Hebrews want his audience to do in light of this warning?

APPLICATION

- In what way does this warning passage move you? Do you bristle at these warnings or do you find your heart soft to them?
- Do we see God's ordinary means of grace as rain?
- How can we encourage our brothers and sisters to continue with great earnestness?
- How does sin harden our hearts and make us sluggish in our walk with the Lord?
- In light of this warning – what besetting sin should you be zealous to kill?
- In what new or better ways can you serve the saints?

PRAYER (divide the group based on gender if desired)

- Spend extra time in prayer for the endurance of our brothers and sisters tonight.
- Is there any sin you should confess in light of this passage?
- Are there any other prayer needs?