

“The Best Possible Rest”

Portrait of Our Perfect High Priest

Hebrews 4:1-11
part 12

INTRODUCTION

- our need for rest

“If you don’t come apart and rest awhile, you’ll just come apart.”
– Vance Havner

- God’s rest

+ biblical “rest”

+ kinds of “rest”

1. Don’t miss out. (4:1)

- “fear”

Heb. 10:31

- the promise that remains

Acts 16:31; Jn. 3:16; 11:25-26

- to “come short”

+ short on time (too late)

Mt. 25:1-13

+ short on resources (too little)

Jn. 2:3; Lk. 15:14; Mt. 19:20; Rom. 3:23

+ come up “short” spiritually

Heb. 12:15; 9:27

“Life is like a clock, but there are no hands showing on the face of the clock. You can hear the sound of ticking but you never know when it is going to strike midnight.”
– Francis Schaeffer

2. Close the deal. (4:2-3)

- hearing and believing “united”

Lk. 13:22-28; Rom. 10:17; 1 Thes. 2:13; 2 Thes. 2:13

- *HOW* faith works

3. Take immediate action. (4:4-7)

- the time is *NOW*

2 Cor. 6:1-2

4. Walk through the door. (4:8-11)

- a *VOW*, a commitment to Christ

- 2 absolutes

CONCLUSION