

Kept in the Covenant

Sermon 29 in the Hebrews Series

Hebrews 10:30-39

I. Kept -- Heb. 10:39

1 Peter 1:3-5 -- ³ Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, ⁵ **who are kept by the power of God** through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

We can confidently say, “We are kept in the covenant”.
It’s not up to us – the covenant-faithfulness is His.

II. Two Scriptures and their Application 10:30-31

A. Vengeance is Mine -- Deut. 32:35

B. The Lord will judge His people -- Deut 32:36

Vengeance on His enemies and all those who go after false gods.

Vindication for all those who look to Him and trust Him alone.

Psalms 145:20 -- *The LORD preserves all who love Him,
But all the wicked He will destroy.*

III. The Need for Endurance – Heb. 10:32-36

Deut. 32:7a – *Remember the days of old.*

Should we expect to go through this life without trials?

Hebrews 12:1-4

Strugglers. That’s what Christians are.

This world is not our home.

**IV. The Just shall live by Faith Heb. 10:37-38;
Deuteronomy 32; Habakkuk 2:3-4**

A. **Jeshurun** Deut. 32:15 – *yashar* -- “upright”
It can be used of “Righteous” or “Just”.
It is used in Deut. 32:15 in an ironic way.

B. Heb. 10:37 -- Habakkuk 2:3

For the vision *is* yet for an appointed time;
But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie.
Though it tarries, wait for it;
Because it will surely come,
It will not tarry.

LXX – reads

For the vision is yet for a time
and it shall shoot forth at the end, and not in vain:
though **he** should tarry, wait for **him**;
for **he** shall surely come,
and will not tarry.

The Hebrew writer appears to be using the LXX.
Hence – **the coming one will come** in Heb. 10:37.

C. Heb. 10:38 -- Habakkuk 2:4

“Behold the proud,
His soul is **not upright** (opposite of *yashar*) in him;
But the just shall live by his faith.