

# Hebrews

Hebrews 6: 9–20

## Lesson 8: Hope, the Anchor of the Soul

1. Although the readers of Hebrews are warned against falling away, is the writer of the book convinced that they actually will fall away? (6:9)
  - What is he confident of concerning them?
  - The apostle Paul often expressed confidence in the ability of brethren to do specific things (see Romans 15:14; Galatians 5:10; Philemon 21). What good can be accomplished by such expressions of confidence in others?
2. Because “God is not unjust” what would He not do concerning the work and labor of the Hebrew Christians? (6:10)
  - In Matthew 10:42, what did Jesus promise those who do charitable deeds?
  - In 2 Timothy 4:8, Paul expressed confidence that he would be given a crown of righteousness by Whom?
3. The Hebrew Christians are admonished not to become what? (6:12)
  - Who are they told to imitate? (6:12)
4. What promises were made to Abraham regarding the number of his descendents in Genesis 15:4-6?
  - What did God do to assure Abraham of the promise?
  - How old was Abraham when God first promised to make a nation from him and bless all the families of the earth through him? (Genesis 12:1-4)
  - How old was Abraham when Isaac was born? (Genesis 21:1-5)
  - According to Romans 4:18-21...
    - What did Abraham do in hopeless circumstances that was contrary to hope?
    - At what did Abraham not waver or stagger?
    - How certain was Abraham that God was able to do what He had promised?
  - Abraham obtained the promise after he had done what? (Hebrews 6:13-15)
5. When a man takes an oath by some great thing, what comes to an end? (6:16)
  - By Whom did God take an oath? (6:13, 17)
6. According to Hebrews 6:17-18, to whom was God determined to give abundant assurance?
  - How has God given this assurance?
  - What is impossible for God to do?
  - What degree of encouragement has God thus provided?
7. The hope that we have acts as an anchor of what? (6:19-20)
  - What words are used to describe the security of our hope? (6:19)
  - Where does our hope enter or reach?
  - Who has gone there before us?
  - What has He become?
8. From 1 Peter 1:3-15 and Romans 8:23-25, how does hope help stabilize the Christian and keep him on course during the storms of life?