



Series Title- Fix Your Eyes on Jesus (Journey through Hebrews)

Sermon Title- **Possession of Your Life**

Sermon- #9

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Hebrews 4:1-13 | Therefore, since the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us be careful that none of you be found to have fallen short of it. ²For we also have had the good news proclaimed to us, just as they did; but the message they heard was of no value to them, because they did not share the faith of those who obeyed. ³Now we who have believed enter that rest, just as God has said, “So I declared on oath in my anger, ‘They shall never enter my rest.’” And yet his works have been finished since the creation of the world. ⁴For somewhere he has spoken about the seventh day in these words: “On the seventh day God rested from all his works.” ⁵And again in the passage above he says, “They shall never enter my rest.” ⁶Therefore since it still remains for some to enter that rest, and since those who formerly had the good news proclaimed to them did not go in because of their disobedience, ⁷God again set a certain day, calling it “Today.” This he did when a long time later he spoke through David, as in the passage already quoted: “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts.” ⁸For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken later about another day. ⁹There remains, then, a Sabbath-rest for the people of God; ¹⁰for anyone who enters God’s rest also rests from their works, just as God did from his. ¹¹Let us, therefore, make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one will perish by following their example of disobedience. ¹²For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. ¹³Nothing in all creation is hidden from God’s sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

Questions:

1. Up to this point the author of Hebrews was talking about salvation and now they turn to the topic of rest. Why do you think that is?
2. What are some the similarities of salvation and rest and what are some differences? In other words, in terms of our relationship with Jesus how are the two connected?
3. Stop for a second and really consider that “rest” here is God’s idea, it began with Him, and it is something He invites us to experience by faith. Why is that a profound thing for us to understand?
4. Do you feel at rest in your life? Why or why not?
5. What role does Scripture (Hebrews 4:12) play into you and me experiencing God’s rest? What area of your life is God calling you to surrender to Him?