

Hebrews 3:1-19

What do you know about Moses?

- Wrote first 5 books of the Bible
- Led Israel out of Egypt
- Spoke to God Face to Face
- Received the Ten Commandments, plans for the tabernacle and the Ark of the Covenant.

The author, in this chapter, explains how Jesus is greater than Moses. You see, the Hebrew community was not only drifting towards angel worship but towards Moses worship. Just as you named all of those incredible things that he did, they saw him as someone to worship. Many times people see someone doing great and they just want to soak up their goodness! However, the Hebrew community began to take it too far.

Read 3:1-6

The author explains how Moses was just a servant in the house of the Creator, not the owner of the house. Basically, saying that he is someone to look up to but not worship. We can easily begin worshipping something without even realizing it. When we put that thing above Christ that is how we drift and harden our hearts as in the next section.

Read 3:7-11

The nation of Israel that Moses was leading in the desert began to rebel against God. The people's hearts were becoming evil and unbelieving even while God was leading them through the wilderness as a cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. He was showing Himself to them day and night and yet they didn't care. That's a hardened heart!

Read 3:12-19

In these verses the author explains how the people were believers who hardened their hearts toward God. He warns against it by telling us to encourage each other as well as be firm in our faith until the end.

How many times do we "miss" God's works because we are complaining when life is hard? God never said life was going to be easy. During times in the wilderness, our hearts can easily turn or drift because we can't see God's provision. But, we can keep from drifting or even falling by always remembering what God has done. In fact you might not even realize what He is doing for you right now. Are you staying steadfast in your faith, are you daily thanking God and repenting? Don't ever forget what God has done for you.

Write down something He has done for you this past month, week, day.

Read 3:1-6

What does the author mean by "we are His house?" (Citizens)

Ephesians 2:19-22

“Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household, ²⁰built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. ²²And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.”

How does this relate to verse 1? What does this have to do with Moses?
Is there someone you look up to? Why? How have they encouraged you? Do you worship them?

Read 3:7-19

v.7-11 - What is the result if you harden your heart to God? Have you met someone who has hardened their heart to Him?

I read about an NBA coach who drifted away from God and said that in his parents' church, he's always heard "repent and be saved." How did he respond? He said, "Well, I just hardened my heart until the service was over."

Sadly a lot of the world responds to Jesus Christ by hardening their hearts. We're more interested in doing our own thing than following God. Don't harden your heart. Trust God and follow him today.

Now contrast that with v. 13.

What should we be doing? How? What helps you the most? Are you willing to do that for someone else? Who is someone in your life that needs you right now?