

Strive to Enter the Rest

Sermon Questions

1. The great hope of this passage is this: It is not too _____ to trust Christ fully and enter God's _____.
2. The great urgency of this passage is this: Others have _____ to reach it because of the hardness of their hearts. We don't know what today or _____ may bring.
3. We enter God's rest by faith in the good news given to us. (Yes/No)
4. Two passages that summarize the good news given to the Israelites and the good news given to the church are: _____ & _____.
5. To understand God's rest, the "dots" that need connecting are:
 - i. God's rest began after he finished his work of _____ (vv. 3b–4).
 - ii. Entering the _____ land was a *type* of God's rest (v. 5).
 - iii. God's rest is still available to be entered _____ (vv. 6–10).
 - iv. The old covenant Sabbath was a *type* of God's _____ (Exodus 20:8–11; Colossians 2:15–16).
 - v. To enter God's rest means that we _____ from our works like he did from his (v. 10).
6. The pattern we see in these "dots" is completing work or a God-ordained task then enjoying rest. The work that we are called to do is:
 - i. Keep yourself out of trouble and don't do anything too bad.
 - ii. Strive to do your best. After all, your best is all you can do.
 - iii. Trust in the person and finished cross-work of Christ.
 - iv. Keep the commandments of God.
7. Circumstance doesn't control your heart, rather it _____ your heart.
8. The word of God is living and active to reveal _____.
9. Is this week going to be a go backward, stay put, or strive forward week?