

Selected Definitions

Hebrews 3:2–4:1

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- 3:5** **servant** (*therapôn*). “one who renders devoted service, especially as an attendant in a cultic setting, **attendant, aide, servant**, servant in our lit. only of Moses (as Ex 4:10; 14:31; Num 12:7)”.
- 3:5** **faithful** (*pistos*). “being worthy of belief or trust, **trustworthy, faithful, dependable, inspiring trust/faith**... called and commissioned because of the confidence God has in him ...[faithful] is almost like a title=‘trusted man, commissioner’”.
- 3:6, 7, 14, 15, 18** **if**. See <http://hebrews.currah.download> > 0. Introduction > Greek conditional sentences in Hebrews
- 3:6** **confidence** (*parrésia*). “a state of boldness and confidence, **courage, confidence, boldness, fearlessness**, esp. in the presence of persons of high rank. ... In relation to God ... joyousness, confidence is the result or the accompaniment of faith”.
- 3:6** **glory** (*kaukhéma*). “act of taking pride in someth. or that which constitutes a source of pride, **boast** ... that for which we are proud to hope (cp. Ro 5:2) Hb 3:6”.
- 3:14** **conviction** (*hypostasis*). “a plan that one devises for action, **plan, project, undertaking, endeavor**... To emphasize the importance of steadfast *commitment* to professed obligation ..., the author of Hb 3:14 uses [it] in a way that invites an addressee to draw on the semantic component of obligation familiar in commercial usage of the term ..., an association that is invited by use of [partner], a standard term for a business partner”.
- 3:11** **rest** (*katapausis*). “state of cessation of work or activity, **rest** (2 Macc 15:1 ... of the Sabbath; ... esp. of the rest associated with the seventh day of creation ... place of rest, i.e. where one rests and lives Ac 7:49...)”.
- 4:1** **appear** (*dokeô*). “to appear to one’s understanding, **seem, be recognized as**... As an expression serving to moderate a statement Hb 4:1”.
- 4:1** **fall short** (*hystereô*). “to miss out on someth. through one’s own fault, **to miss, fail to reach** ... Hb 4:1”.