

TENTATIVE ANALYSIS OF THE LOGIC OF HEBREWS 4:1-13

Rest = resting place = God's 'home' = world to come

Three exhortations

- 1. **2:1 THEREFORE** We must pay attention lest we drift away from God's promise.
- 2. **3:1 THEREFORE** Consider Jesus our Apostle and High-priest, superior to Moses.
- 3. **4:1 THEREFORE** Let us fear lest any fall short whist God's promise stands.

Three explanations

(A) ² **FOR** We have been evangelized, but hearing without faith is worthless.

(B) ³ **FOR** It remains believers who are entering God's 'home'.

Proof: Ps. 95:11 = God's 'home' is ready. The faithless are excluded.

(C) ⁴ **FOR** scripture says God's 'home' is ready. Gen. 2:2 with Ps. 95:11.

Two inferences

(A) ⁶ **THEREFORE** some will enter God's 'home'.

Proof: Ps. 95:7 = Today ! (six hundred years after the Exodus).

Explanation

⁸ **FOR** Joshua did not bring them to God's 'home'.

Inference

⁹ **THUS** God's people will enter his 'home' without working for it.

Explanation

¹⁰ **FOR** those entering in rest from their works.

(B) ¹¹ **THEREFORE** Let us strive to enter God's 'home', not disobeying as Israel did.

Reason

¹² **FOR** The Word of God examines our thoughts.

¹³ **AND** No one can hide from him.

Adam	Nephilim	Hebrews	Joshua	David	Israelites	Christians	Believers
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CREATION **WORK DONE = REST = RESTING PLACE = HOME = WORLD TO COME** 

Excluded from Eden	Perished from earth	Fell in the wilderness	Did not give rest	'Today!' Rest remains	Exiled from the land	Warned not to neglect	Enter God's 'rest'
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