

## Fight Unbelief > Hebrews 3:7-19

**3:7-11** *A lesson from the past.* Quoting from **Psalm 95**, the author of Hebrews points to a time in the history of God's people when their unbelief and rebellion brought God's wrath upon themselves.

**3:12-15** *A warning for the present.* That warning from **Psalm 95** turns out to be a warning for every reader of **Hebrews**: we, likewise, must fight against unbelief and the deceitfulness of sin. Instead, we need to help one another believe and walk in Christ: we must encourage one another toward faith.

**3:16-19** *A truth for the future.* In a series of questions and answers, what becomes clear is that the primary problem of God's people in the past was unbelief. Heading into the future, we are to not repeat the same mistake, but instead must have – and prioritize growing in – faith.

**Background:** This passage serves as the transition between the facts of Christ's death and faithfulness (2:17-18), His position as a Son over God's house (3:1-6), and the sabbath rest that God calls His people to enter into (chapter 4).

**The Point:** God's people must fight against unbelief.

**Head:** There is a genuine and eternal rest for all who trust in – and continue to cling to – Jesus Christ.

**Heart:** How are you pursuing Christ? There is no neutral: either you are following, or you are being deceived.

**Hands:** Who will you encourage in faith this week?

**Here is how I will apply these truths:** \_\_\_\_\_

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