A dark, moody photograph of a person standing on a rocky cliff edge, looking out at a rough sea with large, white-capped waves. The sky is filled with heavy, dark clouds, creating a somber and contemplative atmosphere.

Staying Confident in Troubled Times

Hebrews Chapter 10

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Heb 10:12 But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, 13 waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. 14 For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.





In Christ, God sees us
Perfectly Holy

- Even as I walk imperfectly in this life.
- Even when I occasionally sin.
- Even though I am far from perfect.

The New Covenant

15 And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying,

*16 “This is the covenant that I will make with them
after those days, declares the Lord:*

*I will put my laws on their hearts,
and write them on their minds,”*

17 then he adds,

“I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

*18 Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any
offering for sin.*



The Old Covenant Required Our Perfection

Deut 11:27 You will be blessed if you obey the commands of the LORD your God that I am giving you today.

I will put my laws on their hearts

**Php 2:13 For God is working in you, giving you the desire
and the power to do what pleases him.**

**Col 3:10 Put on your new nature, and be renewed as you
learn to know your Creator and become like him.**

**Rom 12:2 Don't copy the behavior and customs of this
world, but let God transform you into a new person by
changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know
God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.**

So what is our part in this process?

- Heb 10:19-25

What is our part in the process?

- Draw close to God
- Learn to know God
- Hold fast to the truth
- Be in community with believers
- Meet together as a habit
- Encourage one another constantly



What gives us confidence to do these things?

- The risen Son of God is reigning.
- His sacrifice for our sin was 100% sufficient.
- Jesus is interceding on our behalf.
- The Holy Spirit is working in us to make us Holy.
- He will be with us until the end.



The alternative is not good

- Heb 10:26-31

As you walk with God, Jesus promised there WILL be hard times

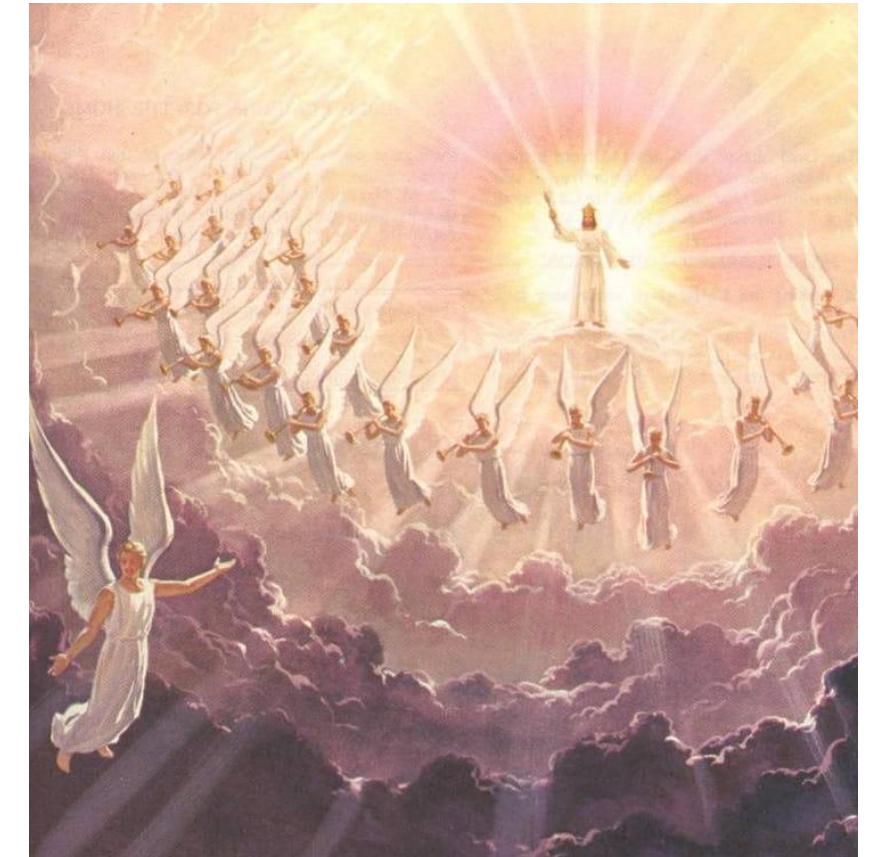
I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world.

John 16:33

Heb 10:32-36

What is Jesus bringing with him when he returns?

- Resurrected bodies which are incorruptible (1 Cor 15)
- Our sinful flesh will be gone forever (1 John 3:1-3)
- A new heaven and new earth restored to perfection (Rev 21)
- Rewards for those who have served well (1Cor 3:14)
- Never-ending joy in the presence of God (Ps 16:11)



Press forward with confidence

*37 For, “Yet a little while,
and the coming one will come and will not delay;*

*38 but my righteous one shall live by faith,
and if he shrinks back,
my soul has no pleasure in him.”*

*39 But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed,
but of those who have faith and preserve their souls.*

Face Adversity with Confidence

- Confident in the truth of Jesus.
- Confident in his sacrifice for us.
- Confident that he LIVES to continually intercede for us.
- Confident in the Holy Spirit's continued work in us.
- Confident in his future return and complete and total victory.