

The Better Investment

Hebrews 10:26-39

The Preacher now shifts his emphasis to instruction of the congregation so that they may recall the previous warning against apostasy (6:4-8); of no further offerings for sin apart from our Lord's sacrifice (10:18); and the final Day of Judgment (9:27-28).

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The Preacher begins by **SHOCKING** the congregation!!!

A warning of the dire consequences of “...sinning willfully...”

What does
that mean?



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...SINNING WILLFULLY...

Does it mean I sin willfully
when I stop coming to church?

Have I been sinning willfully?

ἐκουσίως

To voluntarily and defiantly sin
against God!

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...IF WILLFUL SIN CONTINUES...

“...certain fearful expectation
of judgment...,”

God's judgment “...*fiery indignation*...”

1. Either purifies... (Lk 3:16; Acts 2:3);

2. ...or destroys (Mt. 3:10, 12; Rev. 20)!

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His “...*fiery indignation*...”

“...raging fire...” (NIV);

“...a fury of fire...” (ESV);

“...fiery indignation...” (KJV/NKJV);

“...a fury of fire...” (NASB);

“...καὶ πυρὸς ζῆλος (...and fiery zeal...)”

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His “... *fiery indignation* ...”

...is not an act of a
dispassionate God!

Rather, it just the
opposite! He is a God
who truly loves each of
you so very much that
He passionately, with a
fierce fiery zeal, moves
to protect you from all
that threatens you!!!

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What's the result of
His “...*fiery indignation*...”

...it will soon DEVOUR (utterly destroy)
all of your Lord's adversaries...those who
willfully, deliberately, definitely oppose
His Son, your Lord Jesus Christ!

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So, now...the Explanation of “Willful Sin”

“Anyone having set aside the Law of Moses, without mercies on the basis of two or three witnesses, he dies”(my translation).

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So, now...the Explanation of “Willful Sin”

“...the Law of Moses...” (Dt. 17:2-7)



YOU SHALL HAVE NO OTHER
GODS BEFORE MY FACE!

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So, now...the Explanation of “Willful Sin”

“...the Law of Moses...” (Dt. 17:2-7)



**WILLFUL, UNREPENTANT
SIN AGAINST GOD IS
APOSTASY, WHICH ...IS
PLACING ANYTHING OR
ANYONE OVER AND ABOVE
GOD!**

THE VERDICT?

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The Contrast

“Of how much worse punishment, do you suppose, will he be thought worthy who has trampled the Son of God underfoot, counted the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified a common thing, and insulted the Spirit of grace? ”

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The Judgment

GUILT

INNOCENT

Trampled upon the
Son of God!

Has treated Jesus with
contempt; brazenly
dishonors Jesus and
subjects Him to public
shame!

GUILTY!

Hebrews 10:29

The Judgment

GUILT

INNOCENT

Treated the blood
of Jesus – as
common!

GUILTY!

Desecrates His most
Holy gift, His saving
Blood as something
despicable! They are
sacrilegious by
renouncing their
salvation!

Hebrews 10:29

The Judgment

GUILT

INNOCENT

Insults the
Spirit of Grace

GUILTY!

By their insolent
rejection of the gift of
the Holy Spirit! Their
rejection “ejects” the
Holy Spirit from their
evil hearts.

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God the Judge

Verse 30: The Scriptural foundation of God
as Judge (Deut. 32:1-43)
+ Dt. 32:35-43

Verse 31: The conclusion... *“It is a fearful
thing to fall into the hands of the living God!”*
→ ἐμπεσεῖν – to be
overwhelmed/entrapped!

Hebrews 10:30-31

The Great Reward!

Verses 32-34: The First Instruction

- + Remember in your persecution that you ARE baptized;
- + You will suffer...Public ridicule & imprisonment;
- + Confiscation of property (gov't/false means).

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The Great Reward!

Verses 35-38: The Second Instruction

- + Warning not to forfeit your freedom of speech w/it's reward!
- + Endure to the end and your reward will be great!
- + God's promise of eternal life for the faithful and warning of displeasure against those who shrink back from Jesus Christ.

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— HEBREWS 10:39 —

WE ARE NOT OF THOSE WHO SHRINK
BACK AND ARE DESTROYED, BUT
OF THOSE WHO BELIEVE AND ARE SAVED.