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(2) Our Challenge 10:22-27

10:22-27

--Let us...

--see the reality 10:21

--draw near 10:22

--a true heart

--a freed mind

--a clean life

--hold fast 10:23

--consider 10:24

--observe 10:25

--know 10:26-27

These are warnings in the positive and the logic is that if we do not do these things we do not benefit from the provision offered.

- (3) Our lesson 10:28-31
  - --Moses law 10:28
  - -- The blood of the Covenant 10:29

(There is an appeal to the national rejection and the despising of God's covenant with Israel. In effect the writer asks if the readers are going to join with the group that rejected the covenant and said. "His blood be upon us." If that position is taken a great harm has been done to the Spirit, the gracious work of God has been denied, and the individuals involved have brought great condemnation to themselves.)

- -- The just wrath of God 10:31
- (4) Our reminder 10:32-32
  - --personal history 10:32-34
  - --personal challenge 10:35-36
  - --personal promise 10:37-38

(And note the word of assurance in verse 39 and see how it goes with the optimistic note of 6:9. Compare also 10:34 and 6:10. A number of themes such as this may be united throughout the book of Hebrews as "secondary" or underlying themes. The fact is that in the presentation of the superiority of Christ is implicit the superiority of His people and the worth-whileness of the lives that are theirs in Him.)

## c. The Meaning:

I have touched on it so often I am reluctant to repeat it again. But compare the instruction and arguments with the warnings given and you will see that Christ is God's final Word and we must listen to Him. As high priest He must be accepted, His sacrifice received and no substitutes offered for the work He has gone, the redemption He gives, and the access to God that is ours in Him.

6. Oral Summary to Hebrews 1-10