# Good News From Chardon Church of Christ

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## A Warning from the Past

As one studies the book of Hebrews one of the things he will be impressed with is the superiority of Jesus. Specifically, we see the superiority of Jesus over one of the most influential individuals in the OT, that being Moses. Moses was the: author of the first five books of the Bible—The Torah. He was the deliverer of God's people from Egyptian bondage and the giver of God's law to the people. Yet, in spite of all these great accomplishments, the Hebrew writer's intention was to demonstrate that Jesus was greater and thus worthy of more loyalty and obedience.

Why is Jesus greater or better than Moses? He is greater, not just because he was more faithful in His service to God, but because of who He was and what He did. Jesus is greater, because He is the builder of a greater house (the Church) and as such He is head over the house. Moses, however, was a servant in the house and the things he did were in preparation for the coming of Jesus. Jesus is greater because He is the giver of a greater rest. Moses was to lead the people of God to the Promised Land where they would receive rest, but it was an earthly rest. It was Jesus that made possible through His death on the cross, a heavenly and eternal rest.

That brings us to the second warning in the Book of Hebrews—a warning against departing from the living God through unbelief. In Heb.3:6, we find that we are the house of Christ, which is the Church of which Christ is the Head. Those in Christ are now members of the Household of God and together with the faithful saints of old (including Moses) we are now fellow-citizens in the spiritual house or commonwealth of Israel. However, our status as members of the house is conditional, to remain in the house we must "hold fast the confidence and rejoicing of hope to the end."

Thus, the need for the constant warnings or admonitions found throughout the book. The first showed the danger or drifting and now we shall consider the danger departing. To warn against the danger of departing from God and the consequences that would come with such a departure the Hebrew writer appeals to an example from the past in Heb.3:7-19. These stories of the past recorded in the OT are not just there for our reading entertainment, they are there because they teach us lessons that we need to learn.

In this case they teach us the very real danger of falling away from God through unbelief, so that we might avoid a similar fate that was realized by the Israelites in the wilderness. In "our efforts" to remain steadfast we must then encourage one another to remain strong in our faith and obedience. Trusting in God until the end of our lives and then receiving the reward of faithfulness

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### **Schedule of Services**

Greeting: Tom Song Leader: Dale Opening Hymn:

13—Wonderful Words Of Life

Opening Prayer: Jerad

Hymn:

261—Love Lifted Me

Scripture Reading: Ryan

Hebrews 3:7-15

Hymn::

28—My Jesus I Love Thee

Lord's Supper: Robert

Hymn:

358—When The Saved Get To Heaven

Sermon: Tom Invitation Hymn: **642—I Am Resolved** Closing Hymn:

**112—Angry Words** Closing Prayer: Ray

Look back and thank God. Look forward and trust God. Look around and serve God. Look within and find God.

#### **CALENDAR**

June 18—Bible study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Tom

June 19-(b) Asher

June 19—(a) Danny & Susan

June 22—(b) Bonnie

June 22—(b) Brenda

June 25—Bible Study 10 am, Worship 11 am Speaker Tom

June 26—(b) Bennett

June 27—Ladies Bible Study—Nina

June 28—(a) Myron & Carole

Check bulletin board for events in the area & other news

SUNDAY: Bible Study—10:00 am, Worship—11:00 am

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#### Be Faithful

Hebrews 3:7-15

#### WORD LIST

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#### Matthew 17:20

He replied, "Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be Impossible for you."

#### PRAYER LIST

Mynda's sisters-in-law Father's health. Mark and Debbie as they travel. Mark's back Roberta, doing Bible study with Tom, stroke recovery

Bonnie's grandson Devin study, as Bonnie

Travels. **Dakota** 

Wanda's migraines; son Allen, sisters Lorraine & Joyce.

Mary and her family. Carl's gout and hip recovery, Mary's friend **Aubrey's** pregnancy

Kathy, is in Holly Hill Rehab facility, her sister and friends. Please send cards.

Linda's health, Tiffany's health

Zarna and her family

Juanita, fell and broke her leg and is at Briar Hill room 100, her sister **Betty** and the rest of her family.

Ray and Barbara and their family.

Dale's health issues, headaches and his family. His Mother's breathing issue.. His friend Riley (age 6) with cancer. Brother in Christ Darrell's surgery. His Aunt Rosie's heart and lungs. Cousin with heart issues. 7 year old girl, **Lucie**, with leukemia.

Ray's new medication and his family.

Rebecca's right knee injuries & cough Steven digestive tests

Pat and her family Diane's health Nina and Tom

#### **Hebrews 3:7-15**

<sup>7</sup> Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says: "Today, if you will hear His voice,

Do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, In the day of trial in the wilderness,

Where your fathers tested Me, tried Me, And saw

My works forty years.

<sup>10</sup> Therefore I was angry with that generation, And said, 'They always go astray in their heart, And they have not known My ways.' 11 So I swore in

My wrath, 'They shall not enter My rest.' "

<sup>12</sup>Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God: 13 but [b] exhort one another daily, while it is called "Today," lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin. <sup>14</sup> For we have become partakers of Christ if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast to the end, <sup>15</sup> while it is said: "Today, if you will hear His voice,

Do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion."