

Let Us Hold Fast the Confession of Our Hope

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In chapter 10 of Hebrews there are 5 “let us” phrases that are to encourage people to persevere.

1. “Let us draw near to God.” (10:21)
2. “Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering.” (10:23)
3. “Let us consider how we may spur one another on.” (10:24)
4. “Let us not give up meeting together.” (10:25)
5. “Let us encourage one another.” (10:15)

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Hebrews 10:23 Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.

- The reason we can “hold fast” is because “He who promised is faithful.”
- Unwavering – without confusion or doubt; fixed and steady at all times, without swerving or turning aside.

Holding fast is a skill you can develop.

1. Practice the habit of transparency with God and others. Be an honest person.
2. Practice the habit of meditation on the word of God.
3. Practice the habit of giving God priority. Pray early in the day. Worship regularly. Share your resources generously. Study the bible systematically.

Hebrews Bible commentary from Tyndale House Publishers, Inc.

The third, fourth, and fifth *Let Us* statements...

Hebrews 10:24-25 And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another —and all the more as you see the Day approaching. (NIV)

Let us consider how to spur one another on toward love and good works.

- To spur means to “stimulate strongly”, “arouse,” or “incite to riot.”
- Toward love – to act lovingly toward other believers regardless of our feelings.
- Good deeds – works done for the good of others, and which attract others to Christ.

Let us not give up meeting together.

- These believers were trying to survive on their own.
- *There is nothing more unchristian than a solitary Christian. John Wesley*

Let us encourage one another and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

- These words reveal that Christians are responsible for each other’s spiritual well-being.

Hebrews 3:12-13 See to it, brothers and sisters, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called "Today," so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness. (NIV)