



ICEBREAKER

Was there ever a time when your parents told you not to do something, but you did it anyway? How did that go for you?

CONTEXT

In this passage, we find the second of five warnings found in the book of Hebrews. The first warning urged the reader not to neglect the salvation that they had received in Christ (Heb. 2:1-4). In this warning, the author introduces the danger of hardening one's heart and its consequences.

READ

Heb. 3:7-19

DISCUSS

What does it mean to "harden your heart"?

The author, quoting Ps. 95, says "Today, if you hear his voice," two separate times. How do we "hear his voice"? Share about a time when you felt the Holy Spirit leading you to do something. How did you respond?

DISCUSS CONTINUED

According to verse 13, what is it that hardens our heart? In what way does sin deceive us?

The author uses the word "today" multiple times in this passage. What does this tell us about the urgency of this warning?

NEXT STEPS

The author identifies the two primary ways we can fight the hardening of our hearts: listening to His voice and the Christian community.

Are you hearing his voice? Are you listening to it?

What can you do as a group to continually encourage each other to "hold our original confidence firm to the end."