## BE NOT MOVED

On The Way To The End

## I. The principles of faith concerning salvation are the same concerning victory in this life and a key principle of faith is BELIEVING UNTO THE END

- A. To be saved and enjoy the fullness of salvation we must believe to the end-col:21-You that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works yet now hath reconciled. <sup>22</sup>In the body of his flesh through death to present (AM-Before the Father) you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight <sup>23</sup>IF ye CONTINUE in the faith grounded and settled and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel which ye have heard; Mt24:13-He that shall <u>ENDURE</u> UNIO THE END the same shall be saved (persevere, have fortitude, remain, stay, hold fast to one's faith under trials); Hb3:6-Christ as a son over his own house; whose house we are, IF we HOLD FAST (retain) the confidence and the rejoicing of hope FIRM (stable, steadfast) UNIO THE END. <sup>12</sup> Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in DEPARTING (withdraw, revolt) from the living God. <sup>14</sup> For we are made partakers of Christ IF we HOLD (retain) THE BEGINNING of our confidence STEADFAST (stable, firm) UNIO THE END; Mt10:22-You shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that endures TO THE END shall be saved
  - 1. It's possible for a believer to not continue in the faith
  - 2. Why say, hold on tight to what you already have? Because you can let go of it-Re2:25-But THAT WHICH YOU HAVE ALREADY hold fast till I come. And He that overcomes and keeps my works UNTO THE END to him will I give power over the nations;
- B. <u>Believing to the end means you've heard from God and you believe until you see</u>-You believe with fortitude, persevering, expecting it fully, looking for it until you see it-*Rm8:24*-We are saved by *HOPE* (confident, faith, expect): but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man **SEES WHY DOES HE YET HOPE FOR**? But if we hope for that we see not then do we with **PATIENCE** (fortitude, persevere) **WAIT FOR IT** (expect fully, look for)
- C. Promises/things God has said to you are obtained by believing and believing to the end-Hb6:4-For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, <sup>5</sup> And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, 6 If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame. 'For the earth which drinketh in the rain that cometh oft upon it, and bringeth forth herbs meet for them by whom it is dressed, receiveth blessing from God: <sup>8</sup> But that which beareth thorns and briers is rejected, and is nigh unto cursing; whose end is to be burned. <sup>9</sup>But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you, and things that accompany salvation, though we thus speak. <sup>10</sup> For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister. "We desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence to the FULL ASSURANCE (entire confidence) of hope UNTO THE END: <sup>12</sup> That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith AND PATIENCE inherit the promises; MSG-I'm sure that won't happen to you, friends. I have better things in mind for you-salvation things! God doesn't miss anything. He knows perfectly well all the love you've shown him by helping needy Christians, and that you keep at it. And now I want each of you to extend that same intensity toward a full-bodied hope, and keep at it till the finish. Don't drag your feet. Be like those who stay the course with committed faith and then get everything promised to them; Hb2:3-The vision is yet for an appointed time but AT THE END it shall speak and not lie: though it tarry, WAIT (rest in expectation) for it; because IT WILL SURELY COME

1. These that fell away started believing but didn't stay with it-They were moved

II. On the way to end stuff comes to try move you out of faith-1Pt1:3-Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively HOPE by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> Who are kept by the power of God THROUGH FAITH UNTO SALVATION ready to be revealed (make manifest, disclose) IN THE LAST TIME. <sup>6</sup> WHEREIN YE GREATLY REJOICE, though now FOR A SEASON, if need be, YE ARE IN HEAVINESS (distress) through MANIFOLD TEMPTATIONS [(various) adversity, affliction, trouble]: <sup>7</sup> That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might BE FOUND UNTO PRAISE AND HONOUR AND GLORY at the appearing of Jesus Christ: <sup>8</sup> Whom HAVING NOT SEEN, ye love; in whom, though NOW YE SEE HIM NOT, YET BELIEVING, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:

<sup>9</sup> **RECEIVING THE END OF YOUR FAITH**, even the salvation of your souls. <sup>10</sup> Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you: <sup>11</sup> Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow. <sup>12</sup> Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into. <sup>13</sup> Wherefore **GIRD UP THE LOINS** of your mind, be sober, and **HOPE TO THE END** for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ

- A. <u>3-5-Lively hope concerns something promised to us that we don't see yet</u>-Our salvation is *ready to be reveled* so there are parts of it we don't see yet-*Rm8:24*
- B. <u>5-Salvation is fully revealed at the end (in the last time)</u>-The only way to experience the full reveal is to believe to the end; *Through faith unto salvation* and so you believe to it and all the way to it
- C. <u>6-Faith rejoices because I've heard from God so I know it's coming</u>-You're in distress through adversity, but it's not in you-*Hb3:6-THE REJOICING OF HOPE*
- D. <u>6-Concerning salvation we are in a season called</u>, on the way to the end-In it stuff comes to move you out of faith so that you don't enjoy what God promised you
  - 1. <u>7,8-Yet believing</u>-You're in adversity and you don't see but you're not moved and God actually praises and honors this kind of faith
- E. <u>9-Receiving the end of your faith-</u>The end of your faith is when you see it (Hb11:1); To receive the end of your faith you can't moved when you don't see or by adversity
- F. 10-12-This salvation is precious-The prophets and angels searched into it
- G. <u>13-Gird up the loins of your mind because stuff comes on the way to the end</u>-Acknowledge that and brace up for it now so you won't be moved later — This is a big key in not being moved (Ex: Navy seal who visualizes the adversity)
  - 1. <u>Many have a false sense of reality when it comes to obtaining a promise</u>-Thinking I'll believe for a few days, experience no adversity and it'll come to pass
  - 2. Many don't want to gird up the loins of the mind-Want victory without adversity
- H. Peter didn't believe to the end-He wasn't ready for the wind-Mt14:29-31