

**TODAY'S MESSAGE**  
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**THE EPISTLE OF HEBREWS 6:9-20 KJV**  
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**"THERE ARE BETTER THINGS FOR YOU"**

<sup>9</sup> *But, beloved, we are persuaded better things for you*, [the expectation of the Apostle and those who were a part of his Christian establishment understood that gaining spiritual maturity and growth are the "better things"-there are better and greater things to come as we grow in Christ\*\*] *and things that accompany salvation* [things that are attached to your faith, your confidence, your growth, your hope, and more\*\*], *though we thus speak* [ what we have spoken may seem hard or difficult to grasp, yet, there is fruit and substance in truth, which produces healing and maturity\*\*].

<sup>10</sup> *For God is not unrighteous* [He is not thoughtless nor is He unaware of your attention to His word and work\*\*], *to forget* [He does not have AMNESIA\*\*] *your work and labour of love*, [What you do for Christ should not be, "Look at Me", "See What I am Doing"—"A Braggadocious Spirit"\*\*,]{But} *which ye have shewed toward his name*, [What we do should be about God's assignment and His plan and purpose-\*\*] *in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister*. [See after the people of God and are cared for and seek to meet their needs\*\*]

<sup>11</sup> *And we desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end*: [The saints want all believers to demonstrate full confidence toward our spirit of endurance to the end-It's not over until God says it's over\*\*]

<sup>12</sup> *That ye be not slothful* [spiritually sluggish and become disinterested\*\*], *but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises*. [Follow after His promises, with faith and endurance knowing He will bring us to where we should be in and for Him\*\*]

<sup>13</sup> *For when God made promise to Abraham, because he could swear by no greater, he sware by himself*, [When God makes a promise, He holds Himself to it and there is none greater that He can hold it to\*\*]

<sup>14</sup> *Saying, Surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee, Gen.22:17-19*. [God has already planned and prepared for the blessings, however, He expects us to appropriate it by trusting Him and Confidently leaning on His Word.\*\*]

<sup>15</sup> *And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise*. [The optimum word is: PATIENTLY-Wait Patiently, God has already done what is needed. "Not now" does not mean Denied; it simply means Delayed\*\*]

<sup>16</sup> *For men verily swear by the greater: and an oath for confirmation is to them an end of all strife*. [Once an Oath has been made in the presence of God, the issue is settled. God heard it as it was pronounced and agreed upon.\*\*]

<sup>17</sup> *Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel*, [God does not change His mind and neither does He switch up and swap or give or make a Random decision] *confirmed it by an oath*: [His word is confirmed by His own Oath.\*\*]

<sup>18</sup> *That by two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us*: [God's unchangeable promise or oath can not be altered nor readjusted, rearranged or tampered. He keeps His word to the death\*\*].

<sup>19</sup> *Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil*; [Our hope is secured and firm, even as the veil is no more useful since He has rent it in two, once and forever.\*\*]

<sup>20</sup> *Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec*. [Jesus is true and faithful to His word. He lived out His life for all to see and recognized that He came to die, as His father said and to live again, as His father also said. Melchisedec presided as High Priest, as King and He was Majestic in his power. But no one could compare as close to Christ as did Melchisedec, therefore let Christ be your Savior, Gen 18\*\*] [KJV \*] [RET \*\*]

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## Hebrews 6:9-20 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition

**9** Even though we speak this way, yet in your case, beloved, we are now firmly convinced of better things that are near to salvation *and* accompany it.

**10** For God is not unrighteous to forget *or* overlook your labor and the love which you have shown for His name’s sake in ministering to the needs of the saints (His own consecrated people), as you still do.

**11** But we do <sup>[a]</sup>strongly and earnestly] desire for each of you to show the same diligence *and* sincerity [all the way through] in realizing *and* enjoying the full assurance *and* development of [your] hope until the end,

**12** In order that you may not grow disinterested *and* become [spiritual] sluggards, but imitators, behaving as do those who through faith (<sup>[b]</sup>by their leaning of the entire personality on God in Christ in absolute trust and confidence in His power, wisdom, and goodness) and by practice of patient endurance *and* waiting are [now] inheriting the promises.

**13** For when God made [His] promise to Abraham, He swore by Himself, since He had no one greater by whom to swear,

**14** Saying, Blessing I certainly will bless you and multiplying I will multiply you.

**15** And so it was that he [Abraham], having waited long *and* endured patiently, realized *and* obtained [in the birth of Isaac as a pledge of what was to come] what God had promised him.

**16** Men indeed swear by a greater [than themselves], and with them in all disputes the oath taken for confirmation is final [ending strife].

**17** Accordingly God also, in His desire to show more convincingly *and* beyond doubt to those who were to inherit the promise the unchangeableness of His purpose *and* plan, intervened (mediated) with an oath.

**18** This was so that, by two unchangeable things [His promise and His oath] in which it is impossible for God ever to prove false *or* deceive us, we who have fled [to Him] for refuge might have mighty indwelling strength *and* strong encouragement to grasp *and* hold fast the hope appointed for us *and* set before [us].

**19** [Now] we have this [hope] as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul [it cannot slip and it cannot <sup>[c]</sup>break down under whoever steps out upon it—a hope] that reaches <sup>[d]</sup>farther *and* enters into [the very certainty of the Presence] within the veil,

**20** Where Jesus has entered in for us [in advance], a Forerunner having become a High Priest forever after the order (with <sup>[e]</sup>the rank) of Melchizedek.