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## Persevere:

## Warning #4: Don't Persist in Faithless Rebellion (Part #1)

<sup>26</sup> For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, <sup>27</sup> but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries. <sup>28</sup> Anyone who has set aside the law of Moses dies without mercy on the evidence of two or three witnesses. <sup>29</sup> How much worse punishment, do you think, will be deserved by the one who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has outraged the Spirit of grace? <sup>30</sup> For we know him who said, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay." And again, "The Lord will judge his people." <sup>31</sup> It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God. Hebrews 10:26-31 (ESV)

Question #1: What is the warning?---v.26

Don't apostatize!

Question #2: Who does this address?---v.26

Us!

\*Human responsibility and God's sovereignty work together.

\*Warnings are used by God as a <u>means</u> to assure perseverance.

Question #3: What are the consequences?---v.26-27

No forgiveness!

No hope!

No escape!

Question #4: Why these consequences?---v.28-31

A. They're consistent with logic.

- B. They're appropriate to the crime.
- C. They're in character with the judge.