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## Persevere:

## Warning #4: Don't Persist in Faithless Rebellion (Part #25)

8 Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a clear conscience, desiring to act honorably in all things. <sup>19</sup> I urge you the more earnestly to do this in order that I may be restored to you the sooner. <sup>20</sup> Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, <sup>21</sup> equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. <sup>22</sup> I appeal to you, brothers, bear with my word of exhortation, for I have written to you briefly. <sup>23</sup> You should know that our brother Timothy has been released, with whom I shall see you if he comes soon. <sup>24</sup> Greet all your leaders and all the saints. Those who come from Italy send you greetings. <sup>25</sup> Grace be with all of you.
Hebrews 13:18-25 (ESV)

Areas of concentration for a Christian offering life worship in a non-Christian world (Heb. 13:1-25):

- 1. Offer to God a life that loves others, vv.1-3.
- 2. Offer to God a life that honors marriage, v.4.
- 3. Offer to God a life that is content, vv.5-6.
- 4. Offer to God a life that remembers and obeys Godly pastors, vv.7-17.
- 5. Offer to God a life that "bears with" God's warnings, vv.18-25.

"God's warnings function as a sure <u>means</u> that bring about the perseverance of faith in God's people."

Perseverance of faith:

\*Perseverance isn't perfection

\*Perseverance isn't works salvation

\*Perseverance isn't easy believism