

Jesus Christ: A Sure and Steadfast Anchor

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Hebrews 6:13-20

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Intro:

- Theme of Hebrews: Jesus is Better!
- Heb 5-10 shows us Jesus as our Great High Priest - the Gospel
- The original recipients were beginning to face persecution^{10:32-34;12:4}

Truth: Jesus Christ's work assured our salvation and is an anchor to steady our souls while we go through storms

- We are now pointed to Jesus - our sure and steadfast anchor!

Our hope of future salvation is sure because God's promises have never failed... Abraham=example

- Abraham - father of all who believe^{Rom4:11}
- God initiated, Abraham responded in faith
- Abraham had tremendous faith and obeyed God^{Heb11:10}
- God's promises to Abraham were sure in God's timing

Our hope of future salvation is sure because God's purpose is unchangeable from the foundation of the Earth

- God's desired = His divine purpose (unchangeable)^{Eph1:4}
- God chooses those whom He saves, we don't seek Him^{Rm3:10}
- We are '*heirs of the promise*'¹⁷, heirs don't choose to be heirs
- God chose Abraham... and He chose you, don't fight^{Rom9:20-23}
- Salvation depends on His choice, not our fickleness

Our hope of future salvation is sure because God can't lie

- God can't lie¹⁸; God is truth: Isa 65:16; Jn 14:6
- We bend truth and are offended when call a liar... but God?
- When we don't believe we call God a liar^{1Jn5:10}

Our hope of future salvation is sure because God Himself gave an oath

- Men swear by something greater to prove something
- God is greatest... He gives us His Word and His oath

So What?

- We have Jesus as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul!
- Proof: Jesus went behind the heavenly curtain
- This was planned from before the foundation of the Earth
- We are to take hold of that hope set before us: Jesus!
- Your salvation depends on Christ's work, not yours!
- Paul^{Phil3:12} Jesus has made me His own!
- When facing discouragement – look to Jesus' work as the sure and steadfast anchor for your faith!

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