<u>Precept Upon Precept-Hebrews</u> Oh, Don't Miss His Rest By Unbelief, Lesson 11

- II Timothy 3:16-17: "All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work."
- 1) Canaan Rest
 - a. Hebrews 3:1: "Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the Apostle and High Priest of our confession."
 - b. Hebrews 3:5-6: "Now Moses was faithful in all His house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken later; but Christ was faithful as a Son over His house—whose house we are, if we hold fast our confidence and the boast of our hope firm until the end."
 - c. Hebrews 3:7-11: "Therefore, just as the Holy Spirit says, "Today if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts as when they provoked Me, as in the day of trial in the wilderness, where your fathers tried Me by testing Me, and saw My works for forty years. "Therefore I was angry with this generation, and said, 'They always go astray in their heart, and they did not know my ways as I swore in My wrath, 'They shall not enter My rest'."
 - i. Q: Why will they not enter God's rest?
 - ii. A: They did not know God's ways
 - iii. If they shall enter my rest, then my name is not Jehovah.
 - d. Hebrews 3:12: "Take care, brethren, that there not be in any one of you an evil, unbelieving heart that falls away from the living God."
 - i. Falling away "apostenai"
 - e. Hebrews 3:13: "But encourage one another day after day, as long as it is still called "Today," so that none of you will be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin."
 - f. Hebrews 3:14: "For we have become partakers of Christ, if we hold fast the beginning of our assurance firm until the end."
 - i. Partakers is the same word here as in Hebrews 3:1
 - g. Hebrews 3:15-19: "...Today if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts, as when they provoked Me. For who provoked Him when they had heard? Indeed, did not all those who came out of Egypt led by Moses? And with whom was He angry for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness?" And to whom did He swear that they would not enter His rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were not able to enter because of unbelief."
 - h. I Corinthians 10:1-5: "For I do not want you to be unaware, brethren, that our fathers were all under the cloud and all passed through the sea; and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea; and all ate the same spiritual food; and all drank the same spiritual drink, for they were drinking from a spiritual rock which followed them; and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, with

most of them God was not well-pleased; for they were laid low in the wilderness."

- i. I Corinthians 10:6-11, Do not follow their example, or else you will be destroyed
 - i. Example "tupoi"
 - ii. I Corinthians 10:12-13, Take heed lest you fall.
- j. The cause of missing Canaan was their disobedience to the revealed will of God
- k. Hebrews 4:1-2: "Therefore, let us fear if, while a promise remains of entering His rest, any one of you may seem to have come short of it. For indeed we have had good news preached to us, just as they also; but the word they heard did not profit them, because it was not united by faith in those who heard."
- 2) God's Sabbath Rest
 - a. Hebrews 4:3-5: "For we who have believed enter that rest, just as He has said, "As I swore in My wrath, they shall not enter My rest," although His works were finished from the foundation of the world. For He has said somewhere concerning the seventh day: "And God rested on the seventh day from all His works"; and again in this passage, "They shall not enter My rest.""
 - b. Hebrews 4:6-7: "Therefore, since it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly had good news preached to them failed to enter because of disobedience, He again fixes a certain day, "Today," saying through David after so long a time just as has been said before, "Today if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts.""
 - c. Hebrews 4:8-9: "For if Joshua had given them rest, He would not have spoken of another day after that. So there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God."
 - d. Hebrews 4:10-13, Let us be diligent to enter God's rest so we do not follow the Israelites example of disobedience.
- 3) Mystery Rest
 - a. Three views
 - i. Faith-rest
 - 1. Hebrews 4:10: "For the one who has entered His rest has himself also rested from his works, as God did from His."
 - 2. Don't turn back to the law, but cling to God
 - ii. Heaven-eternal
 - 1. God is referring to heaven
 - Revelation 14:13: "And I heard a voice from heaven, saying, "Write, 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on!'" "Yes," says the Spirit, "so that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow with them.""
 - iii. Millennial
 - Time when Jesus will come back and establish his kingdom for 1000 years