

# Deaf Senior Adults Bible Class at Chestnut Assist Living—WINTER 2020

February 5, 2020—Wednesday morning—10:00am—LESSON 4

## “JESUS is OUR REFUGE”

Hebrew 6:18

**Hebrews 6:18 MEV:** “...we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon hope set before us:”

**Hebrews 6:18 MEV:** “...we who have fled for refuge might have *strong encouragement* to hold fast to the hope set before us.”

**Hebrews 6:18 NIV:** “When God made His promise, He gave His Word. He did this so we could have good **REASON** not to give up. Instead, we have run to take hold of the **HOPE** set before us. This **HOPE** is set before us in God’s **PROMISE**. So God made His **PROMISE** and **GAVE HIS WORD**. These two things **CAN’T** change. He **COULDN’T LIE** about them.

**Hebrews 6:18 TPT:** “...and now we have run into His **HEART** to hide ourselves in His **FAITHFULNESS**. This is where we find His **STRENGTH** and **COMFORT**, for He **EMPOWERS** us to seize what has already been **ESTABLISHED** ahead of time an **UNSHAKEABLE HOPE!**”

**The discussion of those verses: the PRECAUTIONS against ‘falling away’.**

1. **PRECAUTION 1:** The LOVE and CONFIDENCE of people. (v. 9) [Dec. 4]
2. **PRECAUTION 2:** The JUSTICE of God. (v. 10) [Dec. 11]
3. **PRECAUTION 3:** Being DELIGENT and not being LAZY.
4. **PRECAUTION 4:** IMITATING the believers of faith and perseverance.
5. **PRECAUTION 5:** God’s PROMISE and OATH.
6. **PRECAUTION 6:** The \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of hope.
7. God has both promised and sworn that He will \_\_\_\_\_ and give the promised land of \_\_\_\_\_ to you—the believers.
8. So God made His **PROMISE** and **GAVE HIS WORD**. These two things **CAN** or **CAN’T** change. God **COULD** or **COULDN’T** lie about the **PROMISES** of **HIS WORD**. Therefore, what God has promised He will do:
  - ☞ because God has spoken His Word; He has given the promise of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ☞ because God has given \_\_\_\_\_ assurance; God has sworn and take an oath. He will give us eternal life if we \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to the **END**.
9. This is glorious **TRUTH**. When men and women are involved in \_\_\_\_\_ and they want to make peace and guarantee the peace, they \_\_\_\_\_ it by doing **TWO THINGS**:
  - ✓ They \_\_\_\_\_ peace,
  - ✓ and then they \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ an oath that they will fulfill their promise.

## 10. According to Joshua 20: The cities of refuge:

- v. 2) “speak to the children of Israel, saying, ‘Appoint out for you cities of refuge, of which I spoke to you by the hand of Moses:
- v. 3) so anyone who accidentally or unintentionally kills a person may flee there. These cities shall be set up as a refuge from anyone seeking blood revenge.
- v. 4) if the slayer flees to one of these cities, he can stand at the entrance of the gate of the city and explain the case to the elders of that city; then the fugitive will be taken into the city and given a place, and he will live among them.
- v. 6) the slayer may remain in the city until there is a trial before the congregation. And when the high priest who currently holds the office \_\_\_\_\_, then he is \_\_\_\_\_ to return to his own city and home’.”
- v. 7) So they set apart and consecrated KEDESH [sanctuary, holy place] in Galilee [circuit] (in the hill country of Naphtali [a struggle, my wrestling]), SHECHEM [back, shoulder] (in the hill country of Ephraim [fruitful, increasing]), and KIRJATH-ARBA [city of four] (Hebron [friendship], in the hill country of Judah [praise the Lord]). [WEST SIDE OF JORDAN RIVER]
- v. 8) Beyond the Jordan [to flow down], east of Jericho [a fragrant place], they appointed BEZER [vine branches] (in the desert plateau from the tribe of Reuben [who sees the son; the vision of the son]), RAMOTH [high places] in Gilead [the heap of testimony] (from the tribe of Gad [a troop]), and GOLAN [passage, revolution] in Bashan [the shame of them] (from the tribe of Manasseh [the One who makes me forget]). [EAST SIDE OF JORDAN RIVER]
- These four great facts (from last week—the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. And His ascension and intercession for us) give us an ASSURANCE and provide a \_\_\_\_\_ that we can lay hold upon. ‘Who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the HOPE set before us’. Jesus mentioned “A city that is set on an hill CANNOT BE HID”. (Mat. 5:14)
- Those cities of refuge serve as types of \_\_\_\_\_ sheltering the sinner from \_\_\_\_\_. What a picture this is for us TODAY! This shows that Christ Jesus is our \_\_\_\_\_.
- We have already been carried into COURT, and at the TRIAL we were found **GUILTY** or **NOT GUILTY**. We were the SINNERS. The penalty which was leveled against us was \_\_\_\_\_--and it has already been EXECUTED.
- Christ Jesus, our REFUGE, bore the penalty for us. Because Jesus died in our place, WE ARE \_\_\_\_\_. We have been delivered from the penalty of sin; never do we have to answer for it again. We are now free to go out and \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus. We now have a High Priest, a resurrected Savior, to whom we can go.