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In words reminiscent of Hebrews 6:4-8, the writer lovingly but firmly warns his struggling congregation to hold fast to their faith, implying that some had left and others were thinking of doing the same.

When being an unashamed and unafraid follower of Jesus seems too hard, and you are tempted to slack off or even walk away, we must be reminded of these truths:

1. When following Christ seems too hard, beware the consequences of falling away. (vv. 26-31)

Three warnings against falling away:

- Leaving what you have believed in will cost you more than you'll ever know. You'll have eternity to pay. (vv. 26-28)
- Falling away is an offense to every person of the Trinity. (v. 29)
- God as the highest Judge carries out His own infallible judgments.
 (vv. 30-31)

2. When following Christ seems too hard, look back and see how far you've come. (vv. 32-34)

• It all comes down to this: God would never have let you come this far, just to leave you on your own. If you survived earlier hardships by grace, you can thrive in the next.

3. When following Christ seems too hard, look forward to its reward. (vv. 35-39)

• Nowhere is the saying truer "It's always too soon to quit" — than in the believer's walk with God. For "we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who have faith and preserve their souls".

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FINAL THOUGHTS

The cost of Calvary should never be taken lightly. For the way that you regard it at the end of your life, is the measure of the genuineness of your conversion. And the strength it gives you to live in the present will always be enough, but its future reward will never be too large.

When Christianity seems too hard you must remember this: you must hold on, because you are held.

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.
He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Can a person who is genuinely saved permanently and irretrievably fall away? Why, or, why not?
- 2. How does the truth that we are held by God ("Perseverance of the Saints") keep you steadfast when life becomes too hard and we begin to falter in our walk with God?
- 3. As you pray together, thank God for the assurance of His love and salvation. Pray for anyone in the group/family who has been going through hard times lately and has been tempted to waver in faith.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING



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2 Corinthians 9:7

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Email your deposit slip to finance@gcf.org.ph with the subject "For Bayanihan Food Stall".

For questions, contact the Mercy Ministry at 0917 532 7672 or mercy@gcf.org.ph

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MIDWEEK WORSHIP SERVICE

Wednesdays | 8:00 p.m. | via Zoom

LIVEstream (Youth LIVE Worship)

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KIDS' L.I.F.E. ONLINE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays | 1:00 p.m | on Facebook at @GCFKidsLIFE

THE GCF FAMILY'S HOUR OF PRAYER

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HEAVEN, HELL, AND LIFE AFTER DEATH (7-WEEK ONLINE BIBLE STUDY)

Sundays | 8:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. | via Zoom

Pre-registration required:

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Sundays | 8:00 a.m. | via FB Messenger Rooms, Zoom | with Hermie Centeno

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