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## Text: Hebrews 4:1-10

## A SPIRITUAL ETERNAL REST

1. This is a Promise Hebrews 4:1

- a) It is called a Promise
- b) It awaits fulfilment
- c) This is also called "a hope" 1 Corinthians 15:19
- 2. The land of Canaan Hebrews 4:8
  - a) This was the Promised Land
  - b) But it was not the Eternal Rest
  - c) Canaan symbolised a greater Land of Eternal Rest for God's people
- 3. The Concept of this Eternal Rest
  - a) To be understood in the gospel message Hebrews 4:2
  - b) There is an eternal focus in the gospel Hebrews 4:3
  - c) Total cessation of work as we know it Hebrews 4:1
  - d) Intimated by reference to the Seventh Day Hebrews 4:4
- 4. Problems associated with the Reality of this Eternal Rest
  - a) Not understood by many
  - b) Not appreciated much either
  - c) The problem of unbelief
- 5. The danger of not entering into that Eternal Rest
  - a) No faith Hebrews 4:2
  - b) Disobedience Hebrews 4:6
  - c) Hardened heart Hebrews 4:7
- 6. Ensuring that we have genuine faith in the Gospel of Christ
  - a) Check understanding

- b) Check faith
- c) Check "fear of the Lord"
- d) Check lifestyle

## **BIBLE MEMORY VERSE**

Therefore, since a promise remains of entering His rest, let us fear lest any of you seem to have come short of it.

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