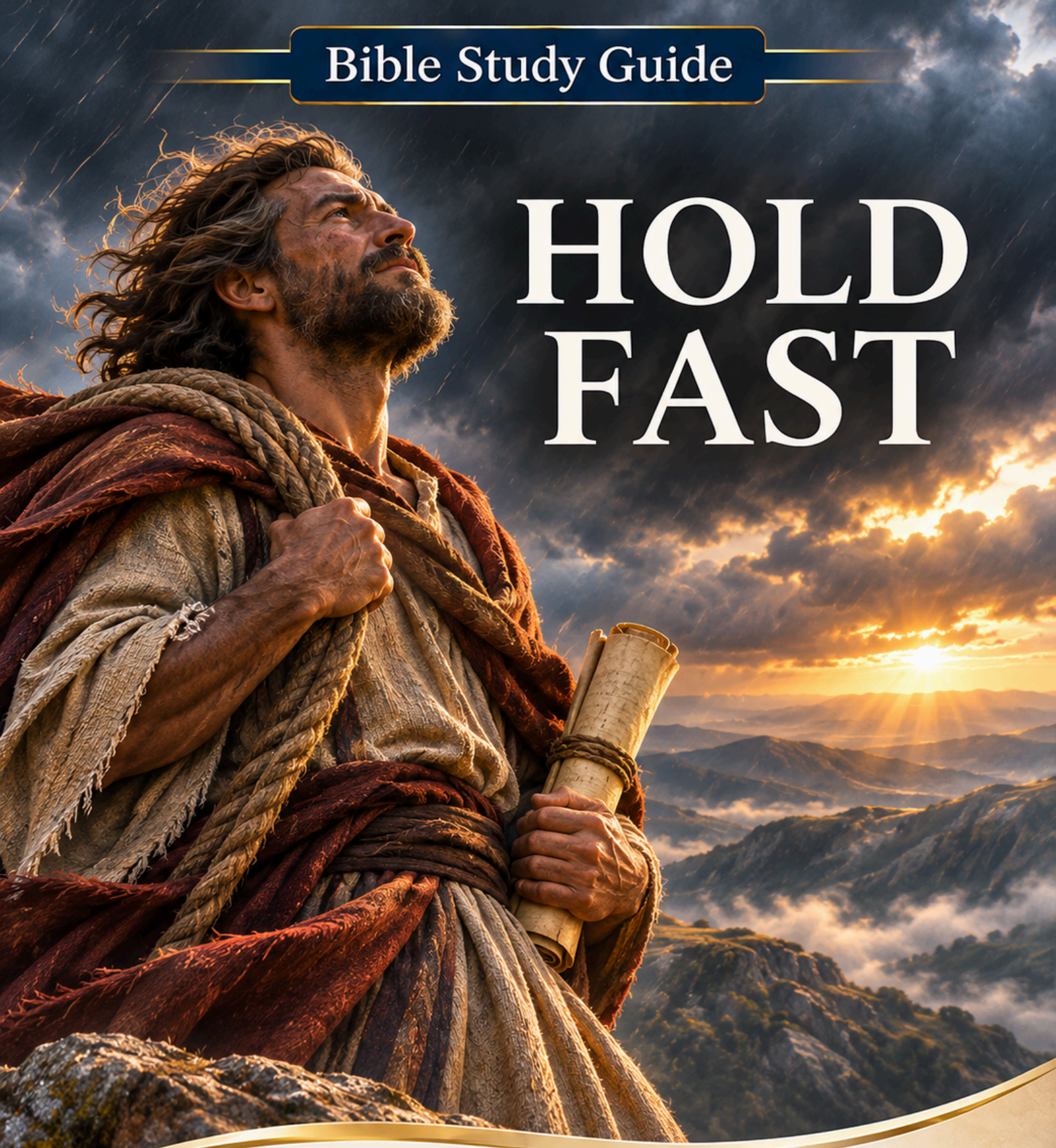
Bible Study Guide

HOLD FAST



A Bible Study on Perseverance, Faithfulness, and Enduring to the End

Introduction

When a vessel is held by a sound anchor, it can remain secure even though the waves are still moving. Hebrews addresses believers who had endured suffering and were now tempted to abandon their confidence. Their security did not lie in their circumstances but in the One who had promised. The call is to hold fast by faith until Christ comes.

Fill in the blanks from the KJV text, then read the brief explanation.

Bible Study Questions

1 **What had the readers of Hebrews endured in their former days?** (Hebrews 10:32)

"But call to remembrance the former days, in which, after ye were illuminated, ye endured a great fight of _____."

Remembering God's former help can strengthen faith when new discouragement arises.

2 **What is one purpose of the Scriptures?** (Romans 15:4)

"that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have _____."

The record of God's dealings with His people encourages us to trust His promises today.

3 **What does Hebrews warn us not to cast away?** (Hebrews 10:35)

"Cast not away therefore your _____, which hath great recompense of reward."

Christian confidence is founded on Christ's faithfulness, not on changing circumstances.

4 **Why may we hold fast our profession?** (Hebrews 10:23)

"for he is _____ that promised;"

Our confidence is founded in the faithfulness of God, not our own ability.

5 **What is hope compared to?** (Hebrews 6:19)

"Which hope we have as an _____ of the soul, both sure and stedfast,"

God's promise anchors faith when life's circumstances threaten to overwhelm it.

6 **What quality is needed while waiting to receive God's promise?** (Hebrews 10:36)

“For ye have need of _____, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.”

Endurance is not inactivity; it is continuing to do God's will while trusting His timing.

7 **What does God promise those who wait upon Him?** (Isaiah 40:31)

“But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their _____; they shall mount up with wings as eagles;”

Waiting on God is active trust in His strength and timing.

8 **By what does the just person live?** (Hebrews 10:38)

“Now the just shall live by _____: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.”

A righteous life is sustained by trust in God and dependence upon Christ.

9 **What should replace confidence in our own understanding?** (Proverbs 3:5)

“Trust in the LORD with all thine _____; and lean not unto thine own understanding.”

Faith accepts God's wisdom even when the way is not yet clear.

10 **How does genuine faith arise?** (Romans 10:17)

“So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the _____.”

Faith rests upon what God has spoken, not on changing emotions.

11 **To what end does the writer warn that drawing back leads?** (Hebrews 10:39)

"But we are not of them who draw back unto _____; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul."

Believers are invited to persevere in saving faith, not to abandon their trust in Christ.

12 **What does Jesus say about enduring to the end?** (Matthew 24:13)

"But he that shall _____ unto the end, the same shall be saved."

Faithfulness through trial is the fruit of a living dependence on Christ.

13 **What kind of inheritance did the suffering believers know they had in heaven?** (Hebrews 10:34)

"Knowing in yourselves that ye have in heaven a better and an _____."

Their eternal hope enabled them to hold earthly possessions loosely without losing their confidence in God.

14 **Where should believers lay up treasures?** (Matthew 6:20)

"But lay up for yourselves treasures in _____,"

Eternal values outlast the possessions and recognition of this world.

15 **Why are believers called to watch?** (Matthew 24:42)

"Watch therefore: for ye know not what _____ your Lord doth come."

Readiness is a continuous relationship with Christ, not a calculation of dates.

16 **What is Jesus called in relation to our faith?** (Hebrews 12:2)

"Looking unto Jesus the author and _____ of our faith..."

The One who calls us to the race of faith also sustains us through it. We are to keep our eyes on Him.

17 **What assurance is given to those waiting for Christ?** (Hebrews 10:37)

"For yet a little while, and he that shall come will _____, and will not tarry."

Christ's return is certain; believers are called to patient endurance.

18 **What does Jesus bring at His return?** (Revelation 22:12)

"And, behold, I come quickly; and my _____ is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be."

Christ's return brings the promised reward and the final vindication of faithful living.

Appeal

Has discouragement tempted you to turn back? Will you hold to the promise of Christ and continue in faithful obedience, even when the reward seems distant?

Commitment

I choose to hold fast my confidence in Christ, endure by faith, and look toward His promised return.

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