

## HEBREWS 3; November 28; The Deceitfulness of Sin

### ANALYSIS:

1. What words in verse one tell us that this is written to regenerated children of God? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Which O. T. saint is inferior to Christ, although faithful in all his house?  
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3. What was the result of Israel provoking God to anger in the wilderness? \_\_\_\_\_
4. The deceitfulness of sin causes what to happen? \_\_\_\_\_
5. The Israelites who left Egypt did not enter the land of Canaan because of \_\_\_\_\_?

### THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

God delivered the Israelites from Egypt with many signs and wonders. However, they tempted the LORD by their repeated acts of unbelief and murmurings. Their final act of defiance was their refusal to advance into the land of Canaan at Joshua and Caleb's exhortation. God's commands are always His enabling! This was proven true when the next generation did cross Jordan and miraculously captured the city of Jericho. Those who had rebelled died in the wilderness over the past 40 years. The Apostle quotes Psalm 95:7b--11 in Hebrews 3:7b--11 to warn the first century Jewish believers that if they turn away from Jesus they will be guilty like their fathers and also face God's wrath.

Sin is declared to be deceitful (Given to cheating or deceiving; deliberately misleading). The wages or results of sin are not usually seen before the sin is committed. Sometimes the wages come much later, and for these reasons sin fools the sinner. It is also deceitful because a second sin is easier to commit because the conscience is a little less sensitive. Therefore, confess known sin immediately and flee from everything related to it.

### HELP:

1. Holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling (v 1).
2. Moses (vs 2-5).
3. They could not enter into God's rest (that is, they did not get to live in cities already build, with wells dug and vineyards planted) (vs 7--11).
4. The one sinning departs from the living God; sin hardens the heart (vs 12-13).
5. Unbelief (vs 12, 18-19).