**SERMON SHEET 8/27/23**

**Study of Hebrews #18**

**“Striving to Enter God’s Rest”**

**Text: Hebrews 4:11-13**

I. Introduction & review

1. Conversion rest
2. Canaan rest
3. Consummate rest

II. Striving to enter God’s rest

1. Some opening thoughts
2. Some comparable Scriptures
	1. Philippians 2:12
	2. 1 Timothy 6:12
	3. 2 Timothy 2:15
	4. 2 Peter 1:5-8
	5. 2 Peter 1:10
	6. 2 Peter 3:14
3. Some personal suggestions
	1. I constantly remember my plight before the salvation of God.
	2. I joyfully remember my partnership with the people of God.
	3. I reverently remember the power of the Word of God.
	4. I gratefully remember the priesthood of the Son of God.

III. Conclusion – a final word

**QUOTES**

1. John Owen:

*Such a laboring includes the mind and the whole soul.*

2. Alistair Begg:

*Are you making every effort in your Christian life? Are you making every effort to get involved in this church? … Are you making every effort to share your faith? Are you making every effort to get beyond being a pew sitter that simply comes along and sits down, and say, “You know what? I’m committed to Jesus Christ, and I’m committed to his people. It’s not the best church I was ever in. It’s not got the best group of people I ever saw. It’s not the best preaching I ever heard… But you know what? I’m committed to Jesus Christ, and I’m committed to this place. And frankly, if it was that good, I shouldn’t join it, because I’d screw the whole thing up just by my attendance myself.*

3. Kent Hughes:

*This is the theological memory that we must constantly set before us in all of its Scriptural dimensions. Jesus Christ did not come out of nowhere. He is the fulfillment of everything the Scriptures pointed to concerning the Messiah. Jesus Christ was resurrected and remains so. He lives! He is all-powerful! Keep on remembering this.*

**SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE**

* **Eph. 4:3; 2 Pet. 1:15**
* **Heb. 2:1; Heb. 2:3; Heb. 3:6; Heb. 3:12-14; Heb. 4:1**
* **Eph. 2:1-3; Eph. 2:12; Phil. 1:27; 1 Pet. 1:23; Jer. 6:16**
* **2 Tim. 2:8**