



Kids Column



The Point!

Looking at the above passage in **Psalm 95: 7-8**, the psalmist says. **"Today, if you will hear His voice: Do not harden your hearts."**, Many times I am afraid just like the calluses on our hand our heart can become as some would say, hardened!

Throughout most if not all of the apostle Paul's efforts in preaching the gospel, we read of his battles in addressing issues among Christians, such as paganism, sexual immorality, drunkenness, and the list goes on. He gave warning in the Roman letter saying, **"Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves, who exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever", (Romans 1:24-25).**

Take heed my friends when we continue to sin willfully, eventually just like the calluses on our hands our hearts won't hurt anymore. Meaning our consciences become callused and what used to really bother us doesn't bother us any longer.

For example, when we miss services to do what we want to do, we know that in **"Hebrews 10:24-25"** we are instructed, **"not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together"**, so what do we do? We do it anyway. At first it may be missing Bible study, then it becomes evening services and before we know it we have quit all together!

We are warned, **"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:"**, **1 Peter 5:8**. The one he is seeking to devour is you and me! So let's make sure that just as the Psalmist says, **"Do not harden your hearts."** **Think!**

"These are grumblers, complainers, walking according to their own lusts; and they mouth great swelling words, flattering people to gain advantage." (Jude 1:16)

Some may remember the days when DC-7s were the fastest planes flying across the country. Their engines could annoy the eardrums as they also vibrated the cabin. On a night flight out of Los Angeles one passenger was finding it difficult to sleep and made a derogatory remark about the noisy engines. His companion, almost asleep, slowly drawled, "Let's not complain unless we do not hear the noise at all." (From Encyclopedia of Sermon Illustrations, compiled by David F. Burgess, p. 41)

Let us not be complainers unless the cause is absolutely just.

Gods Plan Of Salvation

Hear-Romans 10:17, Believe John-8:24, Repent-Luke 13:3, Confess Romans-10:9-10, Baptism-Acts 2:38, Remain Faithful-Revelation 2:10

1/12/25

Seeking Truth

Everyone is welcome to attend.



Service Times
Sunday Morning Bible Study
10:00AM
Sunday Morning Worship
11:00 AM
Wednesday Evening Bible
Study 6:00 PM



A Callused Heart

By: Allen Jent

Psalm 95:6-11

6 Oh come, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker. 7 For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, And the sheep of His hand. Today, if you will hear His voice: 8 "Do not harden your hearts, as in the rebellion, as in the day of trial in the wilderness, 9 When your fathers tested Me; They tried Me, though they saw My work. 10 For forty years I was grieved with that generation, And said, 'It is a people who go astray in their hearts, And they do not know My ways.' 11 So I swore in My wrath, 'They shall not enter My rest.' "

For many years I spent my life as a blue-collar worker in the coal fields of the Appalachian Mountains and in the oilfields covering most of our country. I have found over the years these people to be some of the toughest and without a doubt the most dedicated people I have ever been around. I once made a statement while working with a frack crew, "If I were going on a space mission these are the people, I want to take with me!" One thing a blue-collar worker is not afraid to do is get their hands in there and get them dirty. Often in our efforts to get the job done our fingers would get mashed and scuffed up with the occasional blister. As many will find over the years the blisters come less and less. Eventually they become callused and don't hurt anymore, they become hardened so to speak. >>>