

## Take Heart

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John 16:25-33

Take heart: to gain courage or confidence; to begin to feel better and more hopeful

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One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple. For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent and set me high upon a rock.

Hear my voice when I call, Lord; be merciful to me and answer me. My heart says of you, "Seek his face!" Your face, Lord, I will seek. Do not hide your face from me, do not turn your servant away in anger; you have been my helper. Do not reject me or forsake me, God my Savior.

I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord. Psalm 27

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Take heart: **be strong, take heart and wait for the Lord.**

**John 14:1 & 14:27-be strong, take heart and wait for the Lord.**

"Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also." John 14:1-3

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid." John 14:27

**Exposit text**

26 & 27-Reconciled with the Father

Vs. 29-31-They still don't get it. "Do you now believe?"

-It's not that God is keeping things from us like a mean big brother.

-It's we are finite. We don't understand, nor can we. We see dimly.

For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

-We live in a sinful and broken world. One day, we will not. Death will be no more. In the meantime...

So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love. 1 Corinthians 13:12-13

-But why? Why is life so hard? We are here in a broken world holding the only hope for brokenness.

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*The background of such exhortations must have been the audience's need to continue enduring through persecutions and the trials of life.*

**Please turn to Hebrews 10:19, pg. 1007**

**Read Hebrews 10:19-25**

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**Hebrews 10:39 / Vs. 39 & 11:1 \ 12:1-3 / 12:12 / vs. 12:28-13:1 / 13:15-16**

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**Confession / Pardon / Communion**

**Read 13:20-21**