

Hold On!

There is something worth holding onto in this life. Hebrews 3:6 tells us, "*hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm to the end.*"

And that thought is repeated a second time in Hebrews 3:14, "*For we are made partakers of Christ if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast to the end.*"

This word *partakers*, is referring to our participation, our involvement with Him. There are many who say they believe in Christ, yet, their involvement is more in the world than with Christ. Only mental agreement with God's Word places us in a false reality, a prison that we make ourselves. But the Spirit of God desires participation with you in every area of your life, including your family, your marriage, your church. Christ **in** you, the hope of glory, is not just a legal understanding. No! It is a vital, daily encounter with the Living God. So God says we are *partakers* if we hold fast to the end! Have you ever gone to a sports event and left early because the outcome seemed obvious, or, nothing was going on? Later you find out that everything happened just after you had left! You cannot be a partaker if you are not there! We must *hold fast* to the end.

God wants to be involved with you every moment of every day, all the way to the very end. Why? Because He **is** the answer to your prayers! He has surprises for you! He is forming His image within you. You need to stay in the place of patience. Don't quit! Don't let go, for He is working! He is working in your life and your heart. There was a time when all you participated in was flesh and blood. But because of Jesus Christ and His saving blood, everything has now changed! The greatest gift you can give your family and your marriage is to develop a relationship with Jesus Christ, in the local church, as we walk together in the Body of Christ. Now He wants you to participate with Him in a heavenly calling! We are **made** partakers with Christ! This word, **made**, refers to a surprising changing of form. You are no longer in your original form, now you have taken on a **new** form! You see, holding on to the end does have its benefits: Christ is being formed in you! So serve the Lord wholeheartedly in everything you are and everything you do, holding onto Him!

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