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Study: Five Warnings audio

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## THE SIN UNTO DEATH

The Book of Hebrews issued five warnings against <u>apostate reversionism</u> (2:1-4; 3:7-4:13; 5:11-6:12; 10:19-39; and 12:14-29).

The issue in these five warnings is not removing the Believer's salvation but, as the result of personal unconfessed sin, carnality and the final state of reversionism, the Believer is removed from time – his Christian Way of Life.

We are currently studying the 4<sup>th</sup> Warning (Heb.10:19-39). In the 2<sup>rd</sup> Warning, five questions were asked and answered in Heb.3:12-19 related to the sin unto death (Heb.3:17).

This lesson will study five aspects of the Sin unto Death related to the 4<sup>th</sup> warning (Heb.10:26-31).

1. Divine discipline is a spiritual family issue. "And you have forgotten the exhortation which is addressed to you as sons." (Heb.12:5a)

(Heb.12:7-8) "It is for discipline that you endure; <u>God deals with you as with sons</u>; for what son is there whom the **father** does not discipline? **But if you are without discipline**, of which all have become partakers, then you are <u>illegitimate children</u> and not sons."

(Heb.12:9) "Furthermore, we had earthly fathers to discipline us, and we respected them; shall we not much rather be subject to the Father of spirits and live?"

2. God is warning believers about the danger of the progressive stages of divine discipline leading to the sin unto death.

Heb.12:5-11 outlines the stages of divine discipline to the sin unto death.

•	Stage 1	Light discipline	(Heb.12:9)	(Heb.12:5b)	(me oligoreo/ p.a.impv.2ps)
•	Stage 2	Reproved discipline	(Heb.12:9)	(Heb.12:5c)	(elegcho/ p.m.ptc.nsm)
•	Stage 3	Scourge discipline	(Heb.12:9)	(Heb.12:6)	(mastigoo/ p.a.ind.3ps)

(Ps.118:18) "The Lord has disciplined me severely but has not given me over to death."

(2 Sam.12:13) "Then David said to Nathan, 'I have sinned against the Lord.' And Nathan said to David, 'The Lord also has taken away your sin; you shall not die."

• **Stage 4** Sin unto death (Heb.12:9) (1 John 5:16)

(Heb.12:10) "All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; <u>yet to those who have</u> been trained by it, **afterwards** it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness."

The sin unto death is the transfer of a reversionistic believer from time into eternity under maximum divine discipline (1 Cor.5:5; Acts 5:1-11).

3. There is great ministry for the church in the recovery of believers from divine discipline (Heb.12:12-13).

(Heb.12:12-13) "Therefore, <u>strengthen</u> the <u>hands</u> that are weak and the <u>knees</u> that are feeble, and <u>make straight paths</u> for your feet, **so that** the <u>limb</u> which is lame may not be put out of joint, **but rather be healed**." (1 Cor.11:29-32)

(1 Jn.5:16-17) "If anyone sees his brother committing a sin **not leading to death**, he shall ask and God will for him give **life** to those who commit sin **not leading to death**; I do not say that he should make request for this. All unrighteousness is sin, and there is a sin **not leading to death**."

(Heb.4:12-13) "Take care, brethren, that there not be in any one of you an evil, unbelieving heart that falls away from the living God. <u>But encourage one another day after day</u>, as long as it is still called 'Today,' so that none of you will be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin."

Divine Discipline is designed to train believers to respect God's Divine Authority and to share His Holiness and yield the peaceful fruit of Righteousness (Heb.12:9-11)

4. The sin unto death is not the loss of salvation, but the loss of the believer's divinely allotted time in the Christian Way of Life. (CWL) (Acts 5:1-11).

(2 Tim.2:13) "If we are faithless, He remains faithful, for He cannot deny Himself."

(John 10:28-30) "And I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of MY hand. My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. I and the Father are one." (1 John 5:11-13)

5. It is possible to escape the sin unto death as King David did in (2 Sam.12:13). In fact, it is God's desire and the desire of spiritually mature believers for them to recover.

(Jude 22-23) "And have mercy on some, who are doubting; save others, **snatching them out of the fire**; and on some have mercy with fear, hating even the garment polluted by the flesh."

"Snatching them out of fire" has been explained as people escaping a burning building on fire for their lives.

(Heb.4:11) "All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, **afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness**."

## HOW TO RECOVER FROM STAGE 4 OF REVERSIONISM

- Confession your sin (1 John 1:9; Heb.12:9)
- Correct your mind set (Heb.3:12-13; 12:1-5; Col.3:1-3; Rom.8:5-8; Gal.5:16-7)
- Change your belief system from Old Man Cosmic Diabolicus [OMCD] (worldly thinking) to New Man Divine Viewpoint [NMDV] (spiritual thinking) and life. (Rom.12:2; Eph.4:22-24; 2 Cor.5:7; Heb.5:11-14)