

a study of the book of
HEBREWS
pressing on towards maturity

**I. WHAT ARE WE SURE ABOUT IN THIS
PASSAGE?**

A. The section runs from Hebrews 5:11-6:12.

1. The whole section divides into two distinct parts.

a. You-We (vs. 5:11-6:3; 6:9-12)

b. In the case of those (vs. 6:4-8)

B. The condition of the people addressed as “you”

1. Dull of hearing (vs. 5:11)

2. Immature (vs. 5:13)

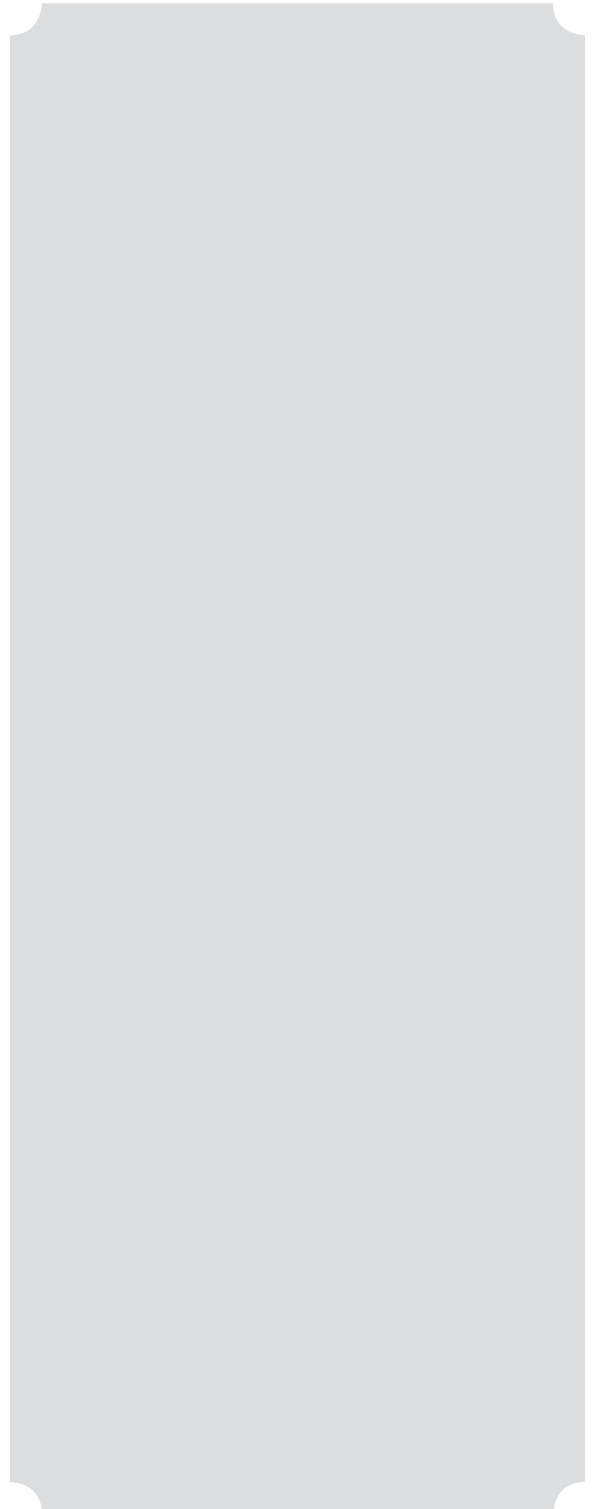
3. Sluggish (vs. 6:12)

C. Reason for the condition: No action of faith on the truth received

D. The goal of the warning

1. Let us press on to maturity (vs. 6:1)

2. That they might experience the full assurance of hope (vs. 6:11)



3. Through faith and patience, inherit the promise. (vs. 6:12)

III. HOW SHOULD WE UNDERSTAND THE “THOSE” SECTION?

A. Key points in the interpretation

1. The warning must reflect a real danger to the Hebrews.
2. The blessings “those” received must be understood.
3. The danger is to come to a place where repentance, and therefore salvation, are “impossible.”
4. The writer says that this experience does not “accompany” salvation.
5. Our interpretation must agree with the rest of the teaching of Scripture.

