

Warning Three (Part II): Fear, Lest You Fall Away

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1 *The believers' privileges*

- a. Had been enlightened
- b. Had tasted of the heavenly gift
- c. Had shared in the Holy Spirit
- d. Had tasted God's Word
- e. Had tasted of the coming age

2 *The warning:*

It is impossible to repent of falling away, cp. v. 4

- a. Because one continues to crucify God's Son
- b. Because one shames Christ

3 *The meaning illustrated*

- a. Good soil receives rain
 - 1) Bears fruit
 - 2) Is blessed of God
- b. Bad soil receives rain
 - 1) Bears thorns
 - 2) Is near to being cursed

4 It is impossible for those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, who have shared in the Holy Spirit,

5 Who have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the coming age,

6 If they fall away, to be brought back to repentance, because to their loss they are crucifying the Son of God all over again and subjecting him to public disgrace.

7 Land that drinks in the rain often falling on it and that produces a crop useful to those for whom it is farmed receives the blessing of God.

8 But land that produces thorns and thistles is worthless and is in danger of being cursed. In the end it will be burned.