(Hebrews 10:23 – 31)

## INTRODUCTION

"Exhort" - entreat; urge one to pursue a course of conduct; earnestly appeal; plead; advise; encourage; beseech; admonish or give warning.

## Scripture abounds with an exhortation for us to "exhort one another"

(Acts 2:40; Acts 27:22; 2 Cor. 9:5; 1 Thessalonians. 4:1; 2 Thess. 3:12; 1 Timothy 2:1; 1 Tim. 6:2; 2 Timothy 4:2; Titus 2:6, v9; Jude v3)

"Exhortation" - (1 Timothy 4:13; Hebrews 13:22)
"Exhorted" - (Acts 11:23; 1 Thessalonians 2:11; Acts 14:21-22; 1 Peter 5:12)

1. (1 Thessalonians 5:11) "Wherefore comfort (ASV: "exhort") one another, and edify ("build up") one another, just as you also are doing."

The mandate is to "do" what will help the spiritual life and growth on one another.

2. (Hebrews 3:12-15) "Beware ("take heed") brethren,
lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God;
but exhort one another daily, while it is called 'Today'
lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin."

The warning concerns "an evil heart" "of unbelief" that pursues a course of action "in departing from the living God" - "Beware"!

The serious warning is the visible action of "departing from the living God."

So, daily exhortation is needed so that we do not become hard-hearted, and that is the result of being deceived by sin.

The remedy is (v14) "hold fast our confidence steadfast to the end."

3. (Hebrews 10:24-25) "And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembly as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching"

Our one another exhortation is to "stir up love and good works."

Our "assembly" provides opportunity for this; so, don't forsake assembly!

There is significance and importance in "exhorting one another" and do it "so much the more." - do not discount or discredit it, nor get tired of it.

Exhort before time runs out.