Consider Jesus: The Faithful One Hebrews 3:1 – 4:2

Consider Jesus Christ Alone As the Centerpoint of Our Faith - Heb 3:1

- Faith can only be as strong as its object
- Christ alone is...

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...the Apostle of our confession - Heb 3:1
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(God's representative before man)

...the High Priest of our confession - Heb 3:1

(Man's representative before God)

...the Faithful Source of our confession - Heb 3:2

(We are <u>partakers</u> of His Life – Heb 3:14)

Learning from the Children of Israel – Exodus

- ...Who hardened their hearts at the borders of the Promised Land Numbers 13,14
- Some signs of their unfaithfulness/unbelief:
 - ...chronic grumbling/complaining Num 14:22
 - ...departure from God as the primary focus Heb 3:9,12,18
 - ...a failure to know God/grow up Heb 3:10
- Some perils of ongoing unbelief:
 - ...hardened hearts Heb 3:18,15
 - ...easily deceived Heb 3:13
 - ...something <u>dies</u> Heb 3:12,17; Ro 14:23; 6:23
 - ...the failure to enter God's rest Heb 3,4; Deut 6:23

The Alternative:

- Remember who you are Heb 3:1,2 (Know yourself as God knows you!)
- Maintain a posture of <u>listening</u> Heb 3:7,15 (Have a non-selective readiness to <u>listen under</u> God's authority.)
- Unite God's Word to your <u>faith</u> Heb 4:2 ("I <u>believe</u> and obey <u>You!</u>")
- Do so... TODAY! Heb 3:7,13,15; Lam 3:22-23 (An ever fresh receptivity of His activity.)