

No Pressure, Just Promise

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Hebrews 4:1-13

A good rule of thumb to live by is to avoid those pressure advertisements that urge, "Act now or lose it forever." The promise of good fortune, according to the announcer, is only for a limited time. Some commercials even go so far as to put a count-down clock on the screen to show how much time is wasting away while you are trying to make the decision to buy or pass.

There are two spiritual perspectives to view here. First, God does not pressure us like the commercials do. God is gentle and patient; he will allow you to make your choice- righteous or evil. Second, God has no "pressure gimmick time-clock" other than life itself. God's rest is available for all who would cry out to him no matter how far they have run or deep into sin they have gone. However, we must heed the gentle caution of the writer of Hebrews. While God does not pressure us into his rest, time will eventually run out. God's promises of eternal rest are true but let us not fall short by failing to enter it now.

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