1 – **Take Heed That You Do Not Fall – Part 4**
1 Corinthians 10:1-12

2 - **“I do not want you to be unaware…”**

* **We can fall away**… (Hebrews 3:12; 4:11)
* **We can come short** of our goal… (Hebrews 4:1ff)
* **Will we trust in our (past) righteousness**?
(Ezekiel 33:12-13)

3 - **Do Not Be…**

* **Those who crave evil things… (vs. 6)**
* **Idolatry (vs. 7)**
* **Fornication (vs. 8)**
* **Trying the Lord (vs. 9)**

4 - **Do Not Be…**

* **Complainers…** (vs. 10, Numbers 14:2, 27; 16:41; 11:1ff)
* **What the Pharisees did!** (Luke 5:30; John 6:41-43, 61)
* **About our temporal circumstances.** (Phil. 4:11; 2 Cor. 12:9-10)
* **About God’s rule and authority, about how difficult it is and how unfair it is.** (Job 33:13; Matthew 11:28-30)
* **About worship and service unto God.** (1 John 5:3)
* **About anything God asks us to do!** (Philippians 2:14; 1 Peter 4:9; 2 Corinthians 9:7; 12:9-15)
* **How do we overcome? Be thankful!** (Col. 3:15; Rom. 1:21)
* **Rejoice!** (2 Cor. 8:2)

5 - **Therefore…**

* ***“Let him who thinks he stands take heed that he does not fall… “*** (vs. 12; Hebrews 3:12; 4:11)
* We’re to ***“stand firm”*** (1 Peter 5:12; Phil. 4:1) **in the gospel**. (1 Corinthians 15:1; Romans 5:2)
* Speaks to **our spiritual battle**. (Ephesians 6:10-14)
* **It takes work (and prayer).** (Colossians 4:12)

6 – **Therefore…**

* **Don’t think what we face is unique, but rather is “*common to man*”.** (vs. 13)
* **Not to be casual about temptation and sin.** (James 1:15-16)
* **It can happen to any of us at any time! Therefore, be sober and vigilant.** (1 Thess. 5:8; 1 Peter 1:13)
* **Jesus was tempted in all ways as we are, yet w/o sin.** (Hebrews 4:14-16; 2:14-18)

7 - **Therefore…**

* **God is “*faithful*” and promised: (Hebrews 13:5)**
* **We will not be tempted beyond what we are able.**
* **We can “resist”! (Ephesians 6:13)**
* **No impossible situations.**
* **A “*way of escape*” with every temptation. (vs. 13)**
* **Plan and prepare… for each temptation.**

8 - **Therefore…**

1. ***“Flee idolatry”,* (10:14)**
2. ***“Not all things are profitable… not all things edify.”* (10:23)**
3. ***“Not seeking my own profit, but the profit of the many, that they may be saved.”* (10:33)**