



Family Time

Main Idea:
Pursuit



Key Verse: Hebrews 3:12-14

¹²Watch out, brothers and sisters, so that there won't be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. ¹³But encourage each other daily, while it is still called today, so that none of you is hardened by sin's deception. ¹⁴For we have become participants in Christ if we hold firmly until the end the reality that we had at the start.



Ask:

If you were to take brown sugar and place it in a container with no lid, what would happen to the brown sugar after a couple days? *(It would turn hard.)*

Now if you took that same hard brown sugar and placed a piece of bread in the container and put a lid on it, what would happen to the brown sugar after a couple of days? *(It would become soft again.)*

What would happen to the bread? *(It would become crusty.)*



Read

Read Hebrews 3:7-14.



Discuss:

What does it mean to have a hard heart? *(When we say that someone has a hard heart, it means they don't display loving feelings.)*

What does it mean to have a hard heart against God? *(When we sin against God, disobeying His Word, our hearts get hard. We no longer show God our love, and we don't believe in His love. We shut ourselves off from Him by not believing and turning away from Him.)*

How did the bread help the hard brown sugar in the container? *(It helped the sugar stay soft.)*

How can we keep our hearts from getting hard? *(Verse 14 says we should hold firm to God with confidence.)*

How can we help others not have a hard heart? *(We can be loving towards them and encourage them to rely on God.)*

The bread helped the sugar stay soft. Verse 7 tells us who will help us keep our hearts from getting hard. Who is it? *(The Holy Spirit)*



Pray:

Pray as a family that God will help our family pursue God and not to have a hard heart towards God.