Why Jesus? A Final Warning

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Three possible reactions to God's Final Word.

- 1. We can return to the past pattern **<u>of law</u>**.
 - a. We get **<u>bitter</u>**. Bitterness <u>**bites**</u>!
 - b. We **infect** and afflict others bitterness **spreads**!
 - c. We become immoral
 - d. We become godless
- 2. We can rejoice in our **present privileges** of grace (v.18-24). A tale of two mountains
 - a. Mt Sinai (v19-21). It was a place of <u>fear and foreboding</u>. We can look up Exodus 19.10-25; 20.18-21;
 - *b.* Mt Zion (v.22-24) was not fearful foreboding but it was **friendly and forgiving**.
 - i. We have come to myriads of Angles in *festal celebration*.
 - *ii.* We have come the general assembly and church of the **firstborn**.
 - iii. We have come to **<u>God</u>**
 - iv. We have come to the spirits of just men made **perfect**
 - v. We have come to <u>Jesus!</u>
- 3. Finally, We can **refuse to listen** to God's final Word (v.25-29)
 - a. There was **no escape** for those that sinned at Sinai when the world was shaking.

There will be no escape for those that **<u>refuse to hear</u>** God's voice and simply reject Jesus. Heb 2.3