Wheelersburg Baptist Church 2/15/2026
Hebrews 3:7-13 "The Sin Behind the Sin"—part one

I. The _____ _____ confronts the sin of unbelief (7-11).

    A. It's a _____ problem (7).

    B. It's a _____ problem (8-10).

    C. It's a _____ problem (11).

II. We must confront the sin of _____ (12-13).

    A. We must confront it first in our own _____ (12).

    B. We must help each _____ confront it (13a).

    C. We must confront it by engaging in the ministry of
           _____(13b).

       1. We need to _____ about our church family more than
          once a week.

       2. We need purposeful _____ in each other's
          lives every day.

       3. We need to find ways to put _____ into the hearts of
          our brothers.

       4. We need to go after those whose hearts are growing _____.

       5. We need to do this for the sake of _____.

Make It Personal: Let's ask ourselves two important questions.

    1. Do I have any _____ in my heart today?

    2. Who can I _____ this week?

<u>**Community Group Discussion:**</u>

1. Today in our series *Rest in the Son*, we learned about the importance of confronting the sin behind the sin if we're going to experience God's rest. Take time to read again the passage, Hebrews 3:7-13. Then do a quick review of the main points from the sermon outline.

2. What does it mean to say that unbelief is the sin behind the sin? Demonstrate how this is true. Pick a sin (e.g. lying or gossip or lust) and talk about how the sin of unbelief is ultimately behind (or at the root of) that sin.

3. What do we learn about unbelief in verses 7-11? What is the solution for unbelief according to verses 12-13?

4. Verse 13 says we should be helping each other deal with the sin of unbelief. What are some practical ways we can do that this week?

5. Allow this passage to guide you as a group in a time of meaningful prayer by having three individuals pray. First prayer: affirm your trust in the Lord, as the text exhorts us to do. Second prayer: ask the Lord for help in dealing with the sin of unbelief, and particularly pray for those who admit they are struggling with unbelief. Third prayer: give thanks to the Lord for His gracious help which enables us to confront our unbelief.