HEART BEAT AWAY

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Introduction _____

I. INTRODUCTION AND GUEST STORY

II. THE PAIN OF COMING CLOSE

"Close only counts in horseshoes and hand grenades" _____

III. BIBLICAL EXAMPLES OF NEAR GREATNESS

1. Cain - Genesis 4 _____

2. Rehoboam - I Kings 12:1 _____

3. Rich Young Ruler - Mark 10 _____

IV. CAIN'S MISSED OPPORTUNITY

Firstborn, potential Messiah lineage lost due to jealousy _____

Failure to control anger and repent _____

V. REHOBOAM'S FAILURE

Ignored wise counsel, chose harsh rule, kingdom divided _____

Lost unity, strength, and respect _____

VI. RICH YOUNG RULER'S CHOICE

VII. COMMON TRAITS OF NEAR-GREATNESS FAILURES

1. Didn't recognize their opportunity

2. Desired the wrong kind of greatness

3. Defeated themselves by poor choices

VIII. RESPONSIBILITY AND CHOICES

We are 100% responsible for what happens to us

Fault vs. responsibility

IX. LESSONS FROM CAIN, REHOBOAM, AND THE RICH YOUNG RULER

Cain: Refused to deal with anger

Rehoboam: Ignored wisdom, followed folly

Rich Young Ruler: Clung to earthly riches

X. THE HEARTBEAT AWAY FROM GREATNESS

2 Timothy 2:11-12

SUMMARY