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Jesus' Purpose
Hebrews 2
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Using This Study

❶ EXAMINE His Word


What does God SAY? Open your time with prayer. The words God uses to communicate matters, so go back and pay close attention to the details that are emphasized or repeated in the passage.

❷ EXPLORE His Word

What does God MEAN? Asking questions of the text helps surface how the details relate to the message God wants to communicate.

❸ EMBRACE His Word

Why does it MATTER to me? Embrace God by responding to what you discover in His word in faith and obedience.



“Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.”

~ Hebrews 2:14-15

This week we continue through the book of Hebrews as chapter 2 points to salvation offered by Christ, man's position, and introduces Jesus as the high priest. There is a real warning in the book of Hebrews not to fall away. Jesus has given us the opportunity to be saved by Him and we never want to drift from Him. Jesus is now in a position to be our high priest. He has taken on flesh and knows what it means to suffer and to be tempted. He has both a presence with the Father and a personal relationship with us. Join us this week as we look at Jesus' unique purpose and position in our lives.



JESUS CHRIST
OUR GREAT HIGH PRIEST

Hebrews 2 (NASB)

Give Heed

2 For this reason we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away *from it*. **2** For if the word spoken through angels proved unalterable, and every transgression and disobedience received a just penalty, **3** how will we escape if we neglect so great a salvation? After it was at the first spoken through the Lord, it was confirmed to us by those who heard, **4** God also testifying with them, both by signs and wonders and by various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit according to His own will.

Earth Subject to Man

5 For He did not subject to angels the world to come, concerning which we are speaking. **6** But one has testified somewhere, saying,

“WHAT IS MAN, THAT YOU REMEMBER HIM?
OR THE SON OF MAN, THAT YOU ARE CONCERNED
ABOUT HIM?”

7 “YOU HAVE MADE HIM FOR A LITTLE WHILE LOWER
THAN THE ANGELS;
YOU HAVE CROWNED HIM WITH GLORY AND HONOR,
AND HAVE APPOINTED HIM OVER THE WORKS OF
YOUR HANDS;

8 YOU HAVE PUT ALL THINGS IN SUBJECTION UNDER
HIS FEET.”

For in subjecting all things to him, He left nothing that is not subject to him. But now we do not yet see all things subjected to him.

Jesus Briefly Humbled

9 But we do see Him who was made for a little

while lower than the angels, *namely*, Jesus, because of the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, so that by the grace of God He might taste death for everyone.

10 For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to perfect the author of their salvation through sufferings. **11** For both He who sanctifies and those who are sanctified are all from one *Father*; for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren, **12** saying,

“I WILL PROCLAIM YOUR NAME TO MY BRETHREN,
IN THE MIDST OF THE CONGREGATION I WILL SING
YOUR PRAISE.”

13 And again,

“I WILL PUT MY TRUST IN HIM.”

And again,

“BEHOLD, I AND THE CHILDREN WHOM GOD HAS
GIVEN ME.”

14 Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, **15** and might free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives. **16** For assuredly He does not give help to angels, but He gives help to the descendant of Abraham. **17** Therefore, He had to be made like His brethren in all things, so that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. **18** For since He Himself was tempted in that which He has suffered, He is able to come to the aid of those who are tempted.

① EXAMINE His Word (Observation) (For personal preparation)

What does God SAY? Prayerfully note significant details and terms emphasized in the foregoing passage.

1. Who is involved in the text? Author, audience, main characters.
2. Where and when is this taking place? Geography and timeline.
3. What actions are carried out or commanded? Look for the verbs.
4. Is there anything repeated?
5. What is emphasized?
6. Is there anything in these passages that is related to other areas of scripture?
7. Are there things to be noted that are alike or unlike such as similes and metaphors?

2 EXPLORE His Word (Interpretation) (For Community Group discussion)
What does God MEAN?

8. Why does verse 1 warn to pay close attention to what we have heard?

9. Who was the world made subject to?

10. Who had the power of death?

11. How is the power of death rendered powerless?

12. Who was subject to slavery? What was the cause of the slavery?

13. What does it mean to become the high priest?

③ EMBRACE His Word (Application) (For Community Group discussion)
Why does this MATTER to me?

14. According to verses 9-10 how does our salvation come about?

15. Why does it matter if our high priest understands suffering we might endure?

16. What helps us know Jesus will come to our aid when we are tempted?

Summarize your thoughts on the passage

Write about what God wants you to **KNOW**, to **FEEL**, and to **DO**...

Sermon Notes