

# THE BOOK OF HEBREWS

JESUS CHRIST - THE ONE AND ONLY

THE SUPREMACY AND SUFFICIENCY OF JESUS CHRIST.  
A THEOLOGY OF REDEMPTION, ATONEMENT AND MINISTRY OF THE MESSIAH

## HEBREWS 2:1-4

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

### “HAVING THE BEST”

In everything, the book of Hebrews presents Jesus Christ as the all sufficient and eternal priesthood. In all things Jesus Christ is better than Moses, then Angels, then the law as being centrality of those ministries.

## Part 4

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

The better sacrifice, atonement, salvation, redemption, sanctification, justification.

## Introduction to the Texts

## Congregational Reading

what a timely passage of scripture this is;

### Hebrews 2:1-4

Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away.

2 For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, 3 how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him,

4 God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will?

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1.) Demands our full attention

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#### Hebrews 2:1

Therefore we must **give** the more earnest **heed**  
to **the things** we have **heard**, lest we **drift away**.

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2.) Results in our obedience

vs. 2-3

### Verse 2

#### Hebrews 2:2

2 For if the word spoken through angels **proved steadfast**, and every  
**transgression** and **disobedience** received a just reward,

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### Verse 3a

how shall we **escape**

### Verse 3b

if we **neglect** so great a salvation,

**neglect** grk: ekpheugo;  
to flee away from, to escape from what is before you, right in front of you.

The word “Gospel” means “Good News” or better, “The Good News” Mankind’s (1) cleansing from guilt and shame and (2) The reinstatement of man’s fellowship with God.

The currency used for that transaction, the payment process is blood.  
“Blood – is the single most costly thing known to man.”  
“Blood – is the second most costly thing known to God.”  
(the most costly thing known to God is “Love” and love was manifested, physically revealed, made tangible in Jesus Christ.

to “**neglect**” is to have the wrong view of;  
life, of heaven, of hell, of holiness, of sin.

“Show me someone who say’s “there can’t be an actual hell,  
that’s ridiculous, lake of fire, torment and flames - what’s the big deal”  
and I will show you someone who has a low view of sin and righteousness &  
who Jesus Christ is.

So what does “so great a salvation” look like ?

**John 1:12**

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:

**John 6:37-40**

All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out. 38 For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me...

...39 This is the will of the Father who sent Me, that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day. 40 And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day."

**John 10:28-29**

And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. 29 My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand.

**John 14:16**

And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever.

**Rom. 4:21**

Being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform.

**Rom. 5:10**

For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

**Rom. 8:1**

There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.

**Rom. 8:29-30**

For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. 30 Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

**Rom. 8:34-35**

Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. 35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

**Rom. 8:38-39**

For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, 39 nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, **shall be able to separate us from the love of God** which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Rom. 11:29**

For the gifts and the calling of God **are irrevocable.**

**1Cor. 1:8**

who will also **confirm you to the end**, that you may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Eph. 1:5**

**Having predestined us to adoption** as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will,

**Eph. 2:4-6**

But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, 5 even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), 6 and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

**Eph. 2:8-9**

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, 9 not of works, lest anyone should boast.

Eph. 4:30

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

Phil. 1:6

Being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ;

Heb. 5:9

And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation  
*to all who obey Him,*

Heb. 6:19

This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil,

Heb. 7:25

Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

Heb. 9:12

Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.

Heb. 9:15

And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.

Heb. 10:14

For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.

1Pet. 1:3

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

1Pet. 1:25

But the word of the LORD endures forever.” Now this is the word which by *the gospel* was preached to you.

1Pet. 3:18

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might *bring us to God*, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit,

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### Verse 3c

which at the first began to be **spoken** by the Lord,  
and was **confirmed** to us by those who **heard** Him,

2Pet. 1:16-19

For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty. **17** For He received from God the Father honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.” **18** And we heard this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain. **:19** And so we have the prophetic word confirmed,

### Verse 3d

if we **neglect** so great a salvation,  
which at the first began to be **spoken** by the Lord, and was **confirmed** to us by  
those who **heard** Him,

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3.) **Provides** us with all that we need vs. 4

### Verse 4

4 God also bearing witness **both** with (1) signs and wonders, (2) with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will?

He confirmed the witness of His word by giving  
“**signs** and **wonders**”

**Signs** grk: semeion;  
distinct or distinguishing markers,  
(intended to arrest your attention - selah)

**Wonders** grk: teras;  
marvels or wonders so as to cause awe and amazement - selah

He also confirmed the witness of His word by giving  
“**miracles**, and **gifts**”

**Miracles** grk: dunamis;  
supernatural strength, supernatural ability, supernatural purpose or meaning. To be supernatural used by the supernatural God for supernatural purposes.

**Gifts** grk: merismos as in the dividing up of gifts or the distribution of "spirituals" the spiritual gifts that "graces" the church with abilities to expend for Christ sake and glory.

### **1Cor. 12:1-3**

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant: **2** You know that you were Gentiles, carried away to these dumb idols, however you were led. **3** Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit. **4** There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. **5** There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. **6** And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. **7** But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all: **8** for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, **9** to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, **10** to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. **11** But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills. **12** For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ. **13** For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free—and have all been made to drink into one Spirit. **14** For in fact the body is not one member but many. **15** If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I am not of the body," is it therefore not of the body? **16** And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I am not of the body," is it therefore not of the body.....

....**17** If the whole body were an eye, where would be the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where would be the smelling? **18** But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased. **19** And if they were all one member, where would the body be? :**20** But now indeed there are many members, yet one body. **21** And the eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you"; nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." **22** No, much rather, those members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary. **23** And those members of the body which we think to be less honorable, on these we bestow greater honor; and our unpresentable parts have greater modesty, **24** but our presentable parts have no need. But God composed the body, having given greater honor to that part which lacks it, **25** that there should be no schism in the body, but that the members should have the same care for one another.

#### **Eph. 4:11-14**

And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, **12** for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, **13** till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; **14** that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine.

#### **Rom. 12:1-8**

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. **2** And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. :**3** For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith....

....**4** For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, **5** so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. **6** Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; **7** or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; **8** he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.

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