

Overview of Hebrews

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Main theme: Warnings and Encouragement

- 1. Hebrews 2:1-4 - Warning against drifting away and paying attention to what we have heard**
“We must pay more careful attention, therefore, to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away.”
- 2. Hebrews 3:12-15 – Warning against departing from God and encouraging one another**
“See to it, brothers, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.”
- 3. Hebrews 4:11-13 – Warning against disobedience and heeding God's Word**
“Let us, therefore, make every effort to enter that rest, so that no-one will fall by following their example of disobedience.”
- 4. Hebrews 5:11-6:6 – Warning against dullness and growing towards maturity.**
“We have much to say about this, but it is hard to make it clear to you because you no longer try to understand. In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again...Therefore let us move beyond the elementary teachings about Christ and be taken forward to maturity”
- 5. Hebrews 10:26-39 – Warning against deliberate sinning and holding on to our confidence in Christ**
“If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God... So do not throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded. You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised.”
- 6. Hebrews 12:25-29 – Warning against defying against God and giving reverence to God**
“See to it that you do not refuse him who speaks....Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.”

Outline: Jesus is Superior

Part 1: The Superiority of Christ

1. Hebrews 1:1-2:18 – The Superiority of Christ: Better than the Angels
2. Hebrews 3:1-4:13 – The Superiority of Christ: Better than Moses
3. Hebrews 4:16-7:28 – The Superiority of Christ: Better than Aaron and Priesthood

Part 2: The Superiority of the New Covenant

1. Hebrews 8:1-13 – The Superiority of the New Covenant: Jesus the High Priest
2. Hebrews 9:1-28 – The Superiority of the New Covenant: Jesus the Mediator
3. Hebrews 10:1-18 – The Superiority of the New Covenant: Jesus the Final Sacrifice

Part 3: How Then Shall We Live?

1. Hebrews 10:19-11:40 – The Waiting Game: Lessons from the Saints
2. Hebrews 12:1-13:25 – Christ is Risen: The Author and Perfector of Our Faith