

THE BOOK OF HEBREWS

THEME - JESUS CHRIST IS THE ONE AND ONLY

THE SUPREMACY AND SUFFICIENCY OF JESUS CHRIST.

A THEOLOGY OF REDEMPTION, ATONEMENT AND MINISTRY OF THE PROMISED MESSIAH

Hebrews 10:26-31

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

APOSTASY OR REALITY - WHERE ARE YOU ? – PART 3

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

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

rest, hope, promises, oaths, immutability, blessings. Gods' faithfulness.

**The Bible makes a Grand, yet Common Assumption that is true
to this very hour and it's this - - that man is a believer!**

Psalm 14:1a

The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God."

Psalm 19:1-3

The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork. **2** Day unto day utters speech, And night unto night reveals knowledge. **3** There is no speech nor language Where their voice is not heard.

Romans 1:18-22

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, **19** because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown *it* to them. **20** For since the creation of the world His invisible *attributes* are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse, **21** because, although they knew God, they did not glorify *Him* as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. **22** Professing to be wise, they became fools,

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For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, 27 but a certain fearful expectation of judgment, and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries. 28 Anyone who has rejected Moses' law dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. 29 Of how much worse punishment, do you suppose, will he be thought worthy who has trampled the Son of God underfoot, counted the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified a common thing, and insulted the Spirit of grace? 30 For we know Him who said, "*Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,*" says the Lord. And again, "*The LORD will judge His people.*"
31 It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

APOSTASY OR REALITY - WHERE ARE YOU?

1.) Look Around At Yourself vs. 26-27

1a.) What do you see happening with you? vs. 26

1b.) Thankful that you're no longer in jeopardy vs. 27

The Security of The True Follower of Christ

Verse 27

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and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries.**

The Events of the 2nd Coming of Christ will be a Time of Great Calamities known as The Time of Jacobs Trouble.

"God will invade. But I wonder whether people who ask God to interfere openly and directly in our world quite realize what it will be like when He does. When that happens, it is the end of the world. When the author walks on to the stage, the play is over. God is going to invade, all right: but what is the good of saying you are on His side then, when you see the whole natural universe melting away like a dream and something else - something it never entered your head to conceive - comes crashing in; something so beautiful to some of us and so terrible to others that none of us will have any choice left? For this time, it will be God without disguise; something so overwhelming that it will strike either irresistible love or irresistible horror into every creature. It will be too late then to choose your side. There is no use saying you could choose to lie down when it has become impossible to stand up. That will not be the time for choosing; it will be the time when we discover which side we really have chosen, whether we realized it before or not. Now, today, this moment, is our chance to choose the right side. God is holding back to give us that chance. It will not last forever. We must take it or leave it."

C.S. Lewis

Apostasy or Reality

Isaiah 64:1-2

Oh, that You would rend the heavens! That You would come down! That the mountains might shake at Your presence - **2** As fire burns brushwood, as fire causes water to boil - to make Your name known to Your adversaries, *that* the nations may tremble at Your presence!

There is the clear distinction between the Rapture of the {Church}
and the 2nd Coming of Christ to the Nation of (Israel.)

Jeremiah 30:1-8a

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying, **2** “Thus speaks the LORD God of Israel, saying: ‘Write in a book for yourself all the words that I have spoken to you. **3** For behold, the days are coming,’ says the LORD, “that I will bring back from captivity My people Israel and Judah,’ says the LORD. ‘And I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it.’ ” **4** Now these *are* the words that the LORD spoke concerning Israel and Judah. **5** “For thus says the LORD: ‘We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear, and not of peace. **6** Ask now, and see, whether a man is ever in labor with child? So why do I see every man *with* his hands on his loins like a woman in labor, and all faces turned pale? **7** Alas! For that day is great, so that none is like it; and it is the time of Jacob’s trouble, but he shall be saved out of it. **8a** “For it shall come to pass in that day,’ ”

Isaiah 26:1,19-21a

1 In that day, everyone in the land of Judah will sing this song: **Our city is strong! We are surrounded by the walls of God’s salvation.** **19** Your dead shall live; together with (like) my dead body they shall arise. Awake and sing, you who dwell in dust; For your dew is like the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead. **20** Come, my people, enter your chambers, and shut your doors behind you; hide yourself, as it were, for a little moment, until the indignation is past. **21** (WHY?) For behold, the LORD comes out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity.

Chambers **heb: cheder** (phonetic chee’der)

a chamber room, a celebratory bedroom. a closed off, private, personal, intimate setting.

John 14:1-3

“Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.

2 In My Father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. **3** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, {there} you may be also.

So “Where” is “There?”

1 Thessalonians 4:16-18

16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. **17** Then we who are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. **18** Therefore comfort one another with these words.

However - Concerning Jesus’ 2nd Coming to Earth

2 Thessalonians 2:5-8

Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? **6** And now you know what is restraining, that he may be revealed in his own time. **7** For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains will do so until He is taken out of the way. **8** And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming.

Revelation 3:7-11

“And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write, “These things says He who is holy, He who is true, *‘He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens’*: **8** “I know your works. See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it; for you have a little strength, have kept My word, and have not denied My name. **9** Indeed I will make *those* of the synagogue of Satan, who say they are Jews and are not, but lie - indeed I will make them come and worship before your feet, and to know that I have loved you. **10** Because you have kept My command to persevere, I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth. **11** Behold, I am coming quickly! Hold fast what you have, that no one may take your crown.

APOSTASY OR REALITY - WHERE ARE YOU?

2.) Consider the danger of the Gospel

vs. 28-29

Hebrews 10:28-29

Anyone who has rejected Moses’ law dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. 29 Of how much worse punishment, do you suppose, will he be thought worthy who has trampled the Son of God underfoot, counted the blood of the Covenant by which he was sanctified a common thing, and insulted the Spirit of grace?

“The Spirit of Grace”

These words are found in only one other verse in the entire Bible and it is in direct relation to the Messiah providing for Israel’s Salvation –
Coincidence?

Zechariah 12:10

“And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of Grace and supplication; then they will look upon Me whom they pierced.

APOSTASY OR REALITY - WHERE ARE YOU? CONSIDER THE DANGER OF THE GOSPEL

2a.) Are you trusting in what you’ve learned?

vs. 28

28 Anyone who has rejected Moses’ law dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses.

This was the penalty, the judgement of those in the Old Testament economy, that if you put off, refused, rejected God’s instruction – that leaves you all alone and on your own.

In the parable of “The Nobleman” Jesus warned against the legalist, the moralist, the religionist – that they would perish without mercy because they had abandoned all hope of redemption.

It was Dante who penned in his immortal work “The Inferno”

“Abandon all hope ye who enter here’

Being the supposed inscription at the entrance into Hell.

Proverbs 29:1

He who is often rebuked, and hardens his neck, Will suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy.

Luke 19:11-14

11 Now as they heard these things, He spoke another parable, because He was near Jerusalem and because they thought the kingdom of God would appear immediately. **12** Therefore He said: “A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom and to return. **13** So he called ten of his servants, delivered to them ten minas, and said to them, “Do business till I come. **14** ‘But his citizens hated him, and sent a delegation after him, saying, “*We will not have this man to reign over us.*’

Matthew 27:24-25

When Pilate saw that he could not prevail at all, but rather that a tumult was rising, he took water and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, *“I am innocent of the blood of this just Person. You see to it.”* **25** And all the people answered and said, *“His blood be on us and on our children.”*

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CONSIDER THE DANGER OF THE GOSPEL**

2b.) Are you aware of what's at stake?

vs. 29a

29a Of how much worse punishment, do you suppose, will he be thought worthy who has trampled the Son of God underfoot,

punishment grk: timoria (phonetic = tim'o'ria)
vengeance, wrath, indignation.

trampled underfoot grk: : katapateo (phonetic = ka'ta'pa'teo)
to walk back and forth upon or over something, to stomp upon or to crush beneath the shoe. to eventually crush under the weight of your own body.

2c.) What are you going to do about it?

vs. 29b

**counted the blood of the Covenant by which he was sanctified
a common thing, and insulted the Spirit of grace?**

counted grk: hegeomai (phonetic = he'geo'mai)
to make a judgment call or to suppose, to conclude, to consider, to determine.

common grk: koinos (phonetic =coy'nois)
out of the marketplace, common property, something to be discarded or tossed away.

insulted grk: enubrizo (phonetic = en-oo-brid'-zo)
to have a distasteful attitude towards another, to treat with contempt, to dismiss or to ridicule or mock.

Hebrews 10:29 NLT

Just think how much worse the punishment will be for those who have trampled on the Son of God, and have treated the blood of the covenant, which made us holy, as if it were common and unholy, and have insulted and disdained the Holy Spirit who brings God's mercy to us.

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