

An Outline of Hebrews

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- I. Part 1: We have greater revelation, so pay attention (1:1–2:4).
 - A. The doctrinal point: The Son is a greater agent of revelation than the prophets or angels (1:1–14).
 - 1. The Son is a greater agent of revelation than the prophets (1–4).
 - 2. The Son is superior to the angels (5–14).
 - B. The warning: Pay attention (2:1–4).
 - 1. A strong warning (1)
 - a. We must be spiritually alert (1a).
 - b. We must not drift away (1b).
 - 2. Reasons to heed the warning (2–4)
 - a. Because even the Law punished those who disobeyed (2).
 - b. Because Christ's salvation is trustworthy (3b–4).
 - c. Because anyone who ignores Christ's salvation will not escape God's judgment (3a).
- II. Part 2: We have a greater leader, so obey His Word (2:5–4:13).
 - A. The doctrinal point: Jesus is a greater leader than Moses (2:5–3:6).
 - 1. Consider the many blessings of Jesus' incarnation (2:5–18)
 - 2. Consider the greatness of Jesus (3:1–6)
 - B. The warning: Strive to enter God's rest (3:7–4:13).
 - 1. Quotation of Psalm 95 (3:7–11)
 - 2. Lessons from Psalm 95 (3:12–19)
 - 3. Straightforward warnings (4:1–13)
 - a. We should fear failure to enter God's rest (1–10).
 - b. We should make every effort to enter God's rest (11–13).
- III. Part 3: We have a greater priest, so grow in your understanding of Him (4:14–6:20).
 - A. The doctrinal point: Jesus is a greater priest than the Levitical priests (4:14–5:10).
 - 1. The great high priest, Jesus, offers mercy and grace to believers (4:14–16).
 - 2. The great high priest, Jesus, offers salvation to all who obey Him (5:1–10).
 - B. The warning: Grow in your understanding of Christ (5:11–6:20).
 - 1. Shame: Part 1 (5:11–14)
 - 2. Shame: Part 2 (6:1–3)
 - 3. Warning (6:4–8)
 - 4. Consolation (6:9–12)
 - 5. Confidence (6:13–20)
- IV. Part 4: We have a greater covenant, so do not spurn this new covenant (7:1–10:31).
 - A. The doctrinal point: What Jesus offers is better than the priests, covenant, and sacrifices of the Law (7:1–10:18).
 - 1. Old and new priests (7:1–8:6)
 - 2. Old and new covenants (8:7–13)
 - 3. Old and new sacrifices (9:1–10:18)
 - B. The warning: Do not reject Jesus (10:19–39).
 - 1. A necessary response (19–25)



2. The consequences of rejecting Christ (26–31)
 3. Encouragement (32–39)
- V. Part 5: We must persevere in faith until the end (11:1–12:39).
- A. The doctrinal point: The nature of faith and endurance in the Christian life (11:1–12:17)
 1. A tour of faith (11:1–12:3)
 2. A call to endurance (12:4–17)
 - B. The warning: Since we've come to the new covenant in Jesus, we must respond in the right way (12:18–29).
 1. Information: Our arrival (18–24)
 2. Imperatives: Our response (25–29)

**Conclusion (13:1–25)*

- A. *Some, final, quick exhortations about love, marriage, and money (13:1–6)*
 1. *Love brothers and strangers (1–2).*
 2. *Care for the afflicted (3).*
 3. *Honor marriage (4).*
 4. *Do not be covetous (5–6).*
- B. *Some, final, important commands about leaders (13:7–17)*
 1. *What do faithful, Christian leaders look like (7–16)?*
 2. *What do I do when I find them (17)?*
- C. *The closing of the letter (13:18–25)*

