

Hebrews Part 1: Jesus, our Merciful and Faithful High Priest
Lesson 7: Chapter 2 – “How Jesus is Better Than the Angels” Homework
October 22, 2023

Review Question from last week: Read Romans 15:18-19 and 2 Corinthians 12:11-12. What is the purpose of signs, wonders, miracles, and gifts of the Spirit?

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1. Our study this week is Hebrews 2:5-18. Read this portion and summarize it in 10-words or less.

2. Who’s the “we” and “us” of whom verse 2:3 refers? How then should we apply these truths to us in 2023?

3. Look up the following words, record their transliteration, and write-out the most precise definition you can obtain from your Greek study tools.
 - a. subject, put in subjection – Hebrews 2:5, 8 –

 - b. world – Hebrews 2:5 –

 - c. concerned – Hebrews 2:6 –

4. There is another matter that we need to understand if we are to accurately exegete Hebrews 2. When, in Hebrews 2:6, the author speaks of “man” and “the son of man,” is he referring to mankind or to the God-man, Jesus Christ? Before you answer, process the following four questions.
 - a. Hebrews 2:6-8 is a quotation from Psalms 8. Carefully read Psalms 8 and record whether you think this is a reference to mankind or to Jesus, the God-man? Give your reasons.

 - b. When God created mankind in His image, what was God’s intention for man related to creation? Find your answer in Genesis 1:26-30.

 - c. Has “son of man” ever been a reference to a man in Scripture? Or does the term only refer to Jesus Christ? Consider Ezekiel 2:1, 3, 6 and John 8:28.

 - d. Hebrews 2:9 begins with a “but,” signifying a contrast. What is the contrast between verses 6-8 and 9-11?

5. Record what you learn about the following 5 beings from Hebrews 2. (Please assume at this point that Hebrews 2:6-8 is referring to mankind rather than Jesus.)
- a. Angels –
 - b. Mankind –
 - c. Jesus Christ –
 - d. God –
 - e. The Devil –
6. Verse 2:5 is a key verse in understanding what God is saying to us in this chapter.
- a. To what “world” is the author referring? Who is NOT going to rule this world?
 - b. Consider “subject” and “subjection” in Hebrews 2:5, 8, and 15. What is going to be subject to whom? Is this subjection taking place now?
7. When man sinned, he lost dominion over the earth. He died spiritually, became a slave to sin, and came under Satan’s power. Read Hebrews 2:14-15. Who had the power of death, and who were subject to slavery all their lives?
8. Therefore, according to Hebrews 2:9, 14, and 17, what was Jesus made and why?
9. In Hebrews 2:11-14, why did Jesus do this? How is man referred to in these verses?
10. In light of Ephesians 1:22-23 and 2:4-7, what is our present position as children of God, redeemed by Christ from Death’s power?