

Hebrews, Part 1: Consider Jesus, your Merciful High Priest

Lesson 10: Chapters 3 and 4

Homework for November 26th, 2023

For this week's lesson we're going to focus on the two key words in these two chapters.

- Within the comparison of Jesus with Moses is the concept of a **"House"**.
- The author encourages his readers, to be **"Partakers"** of Christ and the heavenly calling.

1. Today, many people refer to the church as the "house of God". Is this what the author of Hebrews referring to in Hebrews 3:2-6?
2. Verse 3:14 says we have become "partakers of Christ" and "holy brethren partakers of a heavenly calling in 3:1. But what is meant here by "partaker"?

The House of God

4. Look up the following Scriptures, and note what you learn from them regarding the "House of God".
 - a. Ephesians 2:11-22
 - b. 1 Peter 2:4-5
 - c. Romans 16:5 and Colossians 4:15
 - d. Hebrews 10:21
 - e. In light of these verses how would you define the house of God?
5. What have you learned about "God's house" from Hebrews 3?

Partakers of Christ

6. According to Hebrews 3:6 and 3:14, it seems that the Son's house is linked to those who are partakers of Him – believers, the church, the body of Christ. Let's look at a few cross-references and see if there is support for that and see if we can get a better understanding of what it means to be a partaker of Christ
 - a. John 6:48-51
 - b. John 14:16-20, 23-24
 - c. Romans 8:9-11
 - d. Ephesians 2:20-22
 - e. Colossians 1:24-27
 - f. From these verses what does it mean to be a partaker of Christ?
7. In Hebrews 3:6, 14 speak of true believers (Partakers) are the ones who hold fast (persevere) until the end, how is that done. Let's look at the following verses for clarification.
 - a. What does Jesus' priesthood in verse 4:14-16 says about our perseverance?
 - b. 1 John 2:19
 - c. John 8:31
 - d. Matthew 10:22