

# BUILDERS: Jesus - More Than Enough

2023-2024

## Hebrews

### DESCRIPTION

Hebrews reveals that Jesus is MORE THAN ENOUGH for every aspect and need in our life. It speaks of the present priestly ministry of Jesus in the life of the believer. Jesus is both the divine Son of God and completely human, and in His priestly role He clears the way for human beings to approach the Father in heaven through prayer (4:14-16). Jesus' priesthood is superior to the Old Testament priesthood of Aaron, because only through Jesus do we receive eternal salvation (5:1-9). Furthermore, Jesus became the permanent and perfect High Priest, going beyond all other priests by offering Himself as a sinless sacrifice on behalf of the sins of human beings (7:24-26; 9:28).

Hebrews makes clear that Jesus Christ exceeds all other people, pursuits, objects, or hopes to which human beings offer allegiance. Hebrews pictures Jesus as better than the angels (1:4), as bringing better lives to humanity through salvation (6:9), as offering a better hope than the Mosaic Law could promise (7:19), as a better sacrifice for our sins than a bull or a goat (9:23), and as providing a better inheritance in heaven for those who place their faith in Him (10:34). Jesus is indeed superior to all others.

This message of Jesus' superiority would have been particularly important to Jewish Christians in Rome, who were struggling under Nero's persecution and were considering moving back toward the Mosaic Law. The writer to the Hebrews showed these Jewish Christian believers that, though they were faced with suffering, they were indeed following a better way . . . and they should persevere.

The ancients created idols fashioned of wood and stone. Modern society has set aside that type of idol in favor of new idols—idols of fancy gadgets, material wealth, a comfortable lifestyle, and even our children. Human beings have seen and experienced the limitless bounty of idolatry, where we place some created object or person in the place of the one true God. What idols do you hold dear in your life? Hebrews makes clear that only one Person deserves to hold the primary place in our lives. While we are busy idolizing our move up the corporate ladder or placing all our hopes in our kids, Jesus offers us a better position, a better priest, a better covenant, a better hope, and a better sacrifice. Only when we give Jesus His rightful place in our lives will everything else in life fall into its rightful place.

### SCHEDULE

#### 2023

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|-----------------|-----------|-------|
| 1. Sept. 21     | Hebrews 1 | LUNCH |
| 2. Oct. 5       | Hebrews 2 |       |
| 3. Oct 19 (mea) | Hebrews 3 | LUNCH |
| 4. Nov. 2       | Hebrews 4 |       |
| 5. Nov. 16      | Hebrews 5 | LUNCH |
| 6. Dec. 7       | Hebrews 6 |       |

#### 2024

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| 7. Jan. 18  | Hebrews 7  | LUNCH |
| 8. Feb. 8   | Hebrews 8  |       |
| 9. Feb. 22  | Hebrews 9  | LUNCH |
| 10. Mar. 7  | Hebrews 10 |       |
| 11. Mar. 21 | Hebrews 11 | LUNCH |
| 12. Apr. 4  | Hebrews 11 |       |
| 13. Apr. 18 | Hebrews 12 | LUNCH |
| 14. May 2   | Hebrews 13 |       |
| 15. May 16  | Review     | LUNCH |