

HEBREWS 9:1-12:3

KNOWING THE WORD

JULY-SEPTEMBER 2023



OVERVIEW

I pray that your time in Hebrews has been personally rewarding and that God has used you to encourage those whom you are teaching. We have completed the first main division which taught us “the superiority of the son whose atonement impels us to hear and obey God’s word.” As we start this next quarter, we will be two chapters into the second main division where we continue to see the author encourage us on toward maturity as we have a perfect, compelling high priest in Jesus. Thus, in chapters 5-8 we are called to “leave the elementary teachings about Christ” and understand that “God’s faithfulness to his promises to and through Christ strengthen [us] to persevere.” And in chapter 7 the superiority of Christ’s priesthood is revealed as one that stands above the Levitical for “Christ’s priesthood is Melchizedekian.”

In addition to our time in Hebrews this quarter, we will spend two weeks reflecting on the Passion narrative and Pastor Travis will start a four-week series on discipleship. Thank you for the investment you make in teaching the Word of God to our church.

RESOURCES FOR FURTHER STUDY

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We will provide this for you.

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Mohler, R. Albert. *Exalting Jesus in Hebrews*. Christ-Centered Exposition. Nashville: B&H, 2017.

O'Brien, Peter. *God Has Spoken in His Son: A Biblical Theology of Hebrews*. New Studies in Biblical Theology. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2016.

Hughes, R. Kent. *Hebrews: An Anchor for the Soul*. 2 Vols. Wheaton: Crossway, 1993.

Video Overview: Hebrews (The Bible Project)



JULY 2

4C's: Christlike Character (Combined Sunday School)

Text: James 1:27; Galatians 5:22–23

Main Idea: Heart/Being: How to Reflect Christ

Suggested Memory Verse: James 1:27

Helpful Biblical Text: Galatians 5:22–23

JULY 9

4C's: Counseling Competence

Text: Matthew 22:34–40

Main Idea: Hands/Doing: How to Care like Christ.

Suggested Memory Verse: Ephesians 2:10

JULY 16

4C's: Christian Community

Text: Colossians 1:20–2:1

Main Idea: Home/Loving: How to grow together in Christ.

Suggested Memory Verse: 1 Thessalonians 2:8

Helpful Biblical Texts: Philippians 1:27–30

JULY 23

Text: Hebrews 9:1–15

Main Idea: The first covenant was limited but the new covenant in Christ's blood saves us from sin.

Suggested Memory Verse: Hebrews 9:15

Helpful Biblical Text:

JULY 30

Text: Hebrews 9:16–28

Main Idea: Because the Old Covenant is obsolete Christ is the mediator of the new and better covenant. His death makes salvation possible.

Suggested Memory Verse: Hebrews 9:28

Helpful Biblical Texts:

AUGUST 6

Text: Hebrews 10:1–18

Main Idea: Jesus offered himself once as the perfect sacrifice in contrast to earthly priests who offered sacrifices every day.

Suggested Memory Verse: Hebrews 10:14

Helpful Biblical Text: Romans 3:21–26

AUGUST 13

Guest Speaker: Combined SS

AUGUST 20

Text: Hebrews 10:19–25

Main Idea: Draw near to God in worship; hold fast our profession of faith and love one another.

Suggested Memory Verse: Hebrews 10:22a

Helpful Biblical Text:

AUGUST 27

Text: Hebrews 10:26–39

Main Idea: Do not continue to sin willfully but endure in faithfulness.

Suggested Memory Verse: Hebrews 10:36

Helpful Biblical Texts:

SEPTEMBER 3

Text: Hebrews 11:1–3

Main Idea: Faith is necessary to live the Christian life.

Suggested Memory Verse: Hebrews 11:1

Helpful Biblical Texts:

SEPTEMBER 10

Text: Hebrews 11:4–16

Main Idea: Faith sees God's promises from a distance and trusts them.

Suggested Memory Verse: Hebrews 11:6

Helpful Biblical Texts:

SEPTEMBER 17

Text: Hebrews 11:17–40

Main Idea: Faith in God overcomes all adversity in our life.

Suggested Memory Verse: Hebrews 11:39–40

Helpful Biblical Texts: Acts 7

SEPTEMBER 24

Text: Hebrews 12:1–3

Main Idea: Christians must live the Christian life with endurance, keeping our focus on Jesus.

Suggested Memory Verse: Hebrews 12:1–2a

Helpful Biblical Texts:

A GLANCE AHEAD

October 1	Hebrews 12:4–11
October 8	Hebrews 12:12–17
October 15	Hebrews 12:18–29
October 22	Hebrews 13:1–6
October 29	Hebrews 13:7–17
November 5	Hebrews 13:18–25
November 12	Person of the Holy Spirit
November 19	Work of the Holy Spirit Part 1
November 26	Work of the Holy Spirit Part 2
December 3	Hope – Isaiah 7
December 10	Peace – Jeremiah 23:1–8
December 17	Joy – Luke 2:8–20
December 24	Love – Isaiah 2:1–20
December 31	NO SS