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The Humanity of Christ

Hebrews 2: 5-18

The modern challenge is to convince our culture that Jesus is God, but throughout history the challenge has been for people to see Jesus as a man. This part of Hebrews 2 details how we can know that Jesus became (and remains) fully man and explains why it is important for Him to do so. Jesus has the unique ability to join two worlds and to break the power of sin and death through the shedding of his own blood. Jesus can comfort us through the experience of death and ease our fears because He has already experienced it and defeated it.

- 1. What is the most challenging part of the "fully God, fully man" concept for you to grasp?
- 2. In what ways are you attempting to pay for your own mistakes/sins and not trusting in Jesus's sacrifice on the cross? How does this keep you from being able to fully worship Him?
- 3. Matt uses the baby store example to describe how our culture has changed in the last decade or so. What are some other ways that we think we are in control when we really aren't? How does that affect our view of God?
- 4. Read Hebrews 2:14 together as a group. What scares you most about the thought of dying? How should the fact that Jesus has already experienced death and defeated it affect our mindset and fears?
- **5.** Read Hebrews 2:18. What human emotions are you most likely to use as a rationale for sinning? (Angry, tired, hungry, etc.). Does it help to know that Jesus has experienced all of the same emotions? How shoul this fact impact our thoughts and actions on a daily basis?