

THE BOOK OF HEBREWS  
ENCOUNTERING CHRIST

# Christ is Greater!

He is Greater than Moses Hebrews 3:1-6

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## A. Update of the Middle East



Scan this QR Code for one of the of best updates on the Middle East by Amir Tsarfati with “Behold Israel.” He’s a bit outspoken but this material is really important for each of us to hear. –JKT



## B. Study Section

Holy Scriptures are printed in the bold face font while Pastor Joe’s Commentary is printed in the brackets.

**Hebrews 3:1–6, NLT** - <sup>1</sup> And so, dear brothers and sisters who belong to God and are partners with those called to heaven, **think carefully about this Jesus** [lit., “fix your thoughts;” means to give careful and diligent reflection] **whom we declare to be God’s messenger and High Priest.** <sup>2</sup> For He **was faithful to God, who appointed** [GK: ποιέω (poi-AA-oh), and JWs and LDS point out means “to make” or “to create;” used here as ποιήσαντι (poi-EE-san-ti) used here in the Dative case (not genitive) commonly means “given a mission” or “an appointment” as in Savior] **Him, just as Moses served faithfully when he was entrusted with God’s entire house** [“house” is used 6x’s in this passage; it refers to *a house, temple, dwelling place*, (cf., 2 Sam. 7)] <sup>3</sup> **But Jesus deserves far more glory than Moses, just as a person who builds a house deserves more praise than the house**

itself. <sup>4</sup> **For every house has a builder, but the one who built everything is God.** <sup>5</sup> Moses was certainly faithful in God’s house as a servant. His work was an illustration of the truths God would reveal later. <sup>6</sup> **But Christ, as the Son, is in charge of God’s entire house. And we are God’s house** [Where does the Lord choose to dwell? In us—the church! Wow!], **if** [this specific word is typically translated “since” or “because”] **we keep our courage and remain confident in our hope** [lit., the promises we received from God via His Holy Word] **in Christ.**

Both	Moses	Jesus
Appointed by God (v. 2)	Worthy of some glory (v. 3)	Worthy of all Glory (v. 3)
Faithful to God (v. 2)	Member of God’s House (v. 3)	Builder of God’s House (vv. 3-4)
Responsibility before God (v. 2)	Servant in God’s House (v. 5)	Jesus over God’s House (v. 6a)
Players in Revelation (v. 6)	Testified of what was coming (v. 5)	Fulfillment of what was coming (v. 5)
Different in Position	Was a sinner	Was Perfect
Represented something	The Law (salvation by works)	Grace (God’s gift of salvation)*
Both speak of our Hope	Prophecy: Moses leads Israel out of slavery in Egypt and into the Promised Land.	Fulfilled: Jesus Christ leading the Church out slavery to a fallen world and into the Promised Land (Heaven)

\*For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ. - John 1:17, NASB95

Read **Galatians 2:16–21, Galatians 5:1–6, and Galatians 5:18–26** to end the discussion forever about Law vs. Grace.

## C. Encountering Jesus

1. Jesus Christ is greater than Moses in **who He is!**
2. Jesus Christ is greater than Moses in **what He did!**
3. Jesus Christ is **superior to all things—and all people—in His person and work!** (The POINT of this section in Hebrews!)
4. All **glory and allegiance** belongs to Jesus Christ!
5. Today, **each of us** need to make a decision: **Moses or Jesus?**

How much do we think about Jesus? Hebrews tells us to fix our minds, ponder carefully and continually, turn our eyes on the true person and significance of Jesus. In our age of sound bites, fast food, and quick-fix solutions, very few people take time to think about anything or anyone. In Jesus we have one to Whom we should listen (God’s messenger), through Whom we come to the Father (High Priest), and to Whom we give obedience (the ruler of God’s house). When you think about the significance and superiority of Jesus, how does it affect your life today? Your decisions? Your actions? Let’s spotlight Jesus! - Francis Schaeffer