

## Hebrews 3:1-4:13

- Consider Jesus.
- Jesus is better than Moses.
- Strive to enter God's rest.

# Consider Jesus

## Hebrews 3:1

“Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession”

Apostle: “One sent”

Jesus was sent from the Father to show us the Father. ↓

*“...Whoever has seen me has seen the Father...”* (John 14:9)

High Priest: The one who brings us to God. ↑

*“For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.”* (1 Timothy 2:5)

# Jesus is Worthy of More Glory than Moses


## Hebrews 3:2-6

Jesus	Moses	Believers
Faithful to Him who appointed Him	Faithful in all God's house. (Num 12:7)	
Worthy of More Glory Builder of the house. Jesus is God.	Part of God's house	
Faithful over God's house as a son.	Faithful in God's house as a servant.	
		We are God's house if we hold fast to our confidence and our boasting in our hope. (Heb. 3:14; 1 Cor 3:16; Eph 2:19-20; 1 P 2:4-5)


*As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 2:4-5*

<u>Vs.</u>	Hebrews 3:7-11 (ESV)	Psalm 95:7b-11 (ESV)
7	Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says, "Today, if you hear his voice,	Today, if you hear his voice,
8	do not harden your hearts ❤️ as in the rebellion, on the day of testing in the wilderness,	do not harden your hearts ❤️, as at Meribah ( <i>strife</i> ), as on the day at Massah ( <i>testing</i> ) in the wilderness, (Exodus 17:1-7)
9	where your fathers put me to the test and saw my works for forty years.	when your fathers put me to the test and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.
10	Therefore I was provoked with that generation, and said, 'They always go astray in their heart ❤️; they have not known my ways.'	For forty years I loathed that generation and said, "They are a people who go astray in their heart ❤️, and they have not known my ways."
11	As I swore in my wrath, 'They shall not enter my rest.'"	Therefore I swore in my wrath, "They shall not enter my rest."


## Hebrews 3:12-14

<sup>12</sup> Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart , leading you to fall away from the living God. <sup>13</sup> But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. <sup>14</sup> For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end.

## Hebrews 3:15-19

<sup>15</sup> As it is said, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts \_as in the rebellion." <sup>16</sup> For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? <sup>17</sup> And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? <sup>18</sup> And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? <sup>19</sup> So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

Mark 6:51-52

*And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts  were hardened.*

# Rest

\*To cease.

\*The act of resting, ceasing from labor

\*The place of rest, a dwelling, a fixed abode

\*A calming of the winds

It is the opposite of a disturbance or uproar.

### Hebrews 4:1-4

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. <sup>2</sup> For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. <sup>3</sup> For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said, "As I swore in my wrath, 'They shall not enter my rest,'" although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. <sup>4</sup> For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: "And God rested on the seventh day from all his works."

### Hebrews 4:8-10

<sup>8</sup> For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. <sup>9</sup> So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, <sup>10</sup> for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

### Hebrews 4:11


Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience.



## Ephesians 2:8-10

For by grace you have been saved through faith.  
And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,  
not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.  
For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus  
for good works, which God prepared beforehand,  
that we should walk in them.


## Hebrews 4:12-13

<sup>12</sup>For the word of God is living and active,  
sharper than any two-edged sword,  
piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and marrow,  
and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart .

<sup>13</sup>And no creature is hidden from his sight,  
but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him  
to whom we must give account.

# Strive to Enter God's Rest

\*Guard your heart . (Hebrews 3:12)

*Proverbs 4:23—Above all else, guard your heart , for everything you do flows from it.*

\*Encourage one another. (Hebrews 3:13)

*Hebrews 10:24-25—And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.*

\*Spend time in God's Word (Hebrews 4:12)

*2 Timothy 2:15—Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.*

\*Fix your gaze upon Jesus (Hebrews 2:1; 3:1, 6, 14)

-Don't drift away; Consider Jesus; Hold fast

*Come to me,  
all who labor and are heavy laden,  
and I will give you rest.  
Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me,  
for I am gentle and lowly in heart ❤️,  
and you will find rest for your souls.  
For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.*

Matthew 11:28-30

## Near to the Heart of God

There is a place of quiet rest, Near to the heart of God.  
A place where sin cannot molest, Near to the heart of God.

Refrain:

O Jesus, blest redeemer, Sent from the heart of God,  
Hold us, who wait before Thee, Near to the heart of God.