## HEBREWS GREATER THAN

**Hebrews** (Sept. 6 to Nov. 8: One Book. Three Series)

In Hebrews, we see three major — and continual — themes. First, Jesus Christ is greater than any angel, priest, or old covenant practice. Second, Christians must not forsake the great salvation that Jesus has brought about. And third, believers must hold on by faith to the true rest found in Christ, and must encourage others in the church to do the same.

## **Group Discussion**

Main Text:

Hebrews 2:5-18, Revelation 1:18, Hebrews 9:22

- 1. Lots of things can cause us to become spiritually exhausted, but these are three main causes: 1.) Tired from being the odd person out or the only Christian in an environment. 2.) Tired from the daily grind of temptation. 3.) Tired of how messed up this world is. Which of these three do you most resonate with?
- 2. Read Hebrews 2:7-8. Our world is full of problems and things that are out of our control, and it only offers counterfeit, fake solutions. What fake solutions do you, or other people, sometimes look to? How does Jesus offer a real solution to these problems?
- 3. Read Hebrews 2:9. Jesus is a king who got involved. Has anyone ever come alongside you and helped you when they didn't have to? Have you ever done this for someone else? When is the last time you considered the punishment you deserve for sin, and the fact that Jesus took that punishment for you?
- 4. Read Hebrews 2:10 and Revelation 1:18. *Jesus is a champion who saves*. How often do you think about death? When is it helpful to think about death, and when is it harmful to think about death? Because of Jesus we don't have to live as slaves to the fear of death. Do you really feel free from that fear?

- 5. Read Hebrews 2:11-13. Jesus is a brother who's not ashamed of you. Have you ever felt ashamed or embarrassed by someone you know? Have you ever felt ashamed or embarrassed of yourself? Are you convinced that Jesus is not ashamed to claim you?
- 6. Read Hebrews 2:16-18 and Hebrews 9:22. *Jesus is a priest who can help*. How does it help you to know that Jesus felt and experienced the very same temptations that you do? Do you ever feel like God is punishing you? Why was it necessary for Jesus to die?

## **Next Steps**

Hebrews gives us four pictures of Jesus:

- 1.) A king who got involved.
- 2.) A champion who saves.
- 3.) A brother who's not ashamed of you.
- 4.) A priest who can help.

Which of these pictures of Jesus do you resonate with the most? Why? How will you keep your eyes on Jesus this week?



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