

# HEBREWS

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- How can this be a reality in my life? Seeing Jesus as fully human who knows what life is all about!



### Hebrews 2:10-18 Jesus as our *pioneer*

For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one source.



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Jesus <u>created</u> me and knows exactly how I <u>tick</u> to <u>provide</u> me with what I need to live for Him.



### Hebrews 2:10-18 Jesus is our *brother*

That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, saying, "I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise."

And again, "I will put my trust in him."

And again, "Behold, I and the children God has given me."



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Jesus is the best big brother ever!



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Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham.



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- Jesus has given me my freedom, the question is do I choose to live in that freedom?



#### Hebrews 2:10-18

Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.



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- Jesus is the God-man who knows the pain of temptation when I ....



### Max Lucado, God came Near; Chronicles of the Christ

"Angels watched as Mary changed God's diaper. The universe watched with wonder as the Almighty learned to walk. Children played in the street with him. And had the synagogue leader in Nazareth known who was listening to his sermons...."



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"For 33 years he would feel everything you and I have ever felt. He felt weak. He grew weary. He was afraid of failure. He was susceptible to wooing women. He got colds, burped, and had body order. His feelings got hurt. His feet got tired, and his head ached."



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"To think of Jesus in such a light is — well it seems almost irreverent doesn't it? It is not something we like to do; it's uncomfortable. *It is much easier to keep the humanity out of the incarnation*. Clean the manure from around the manger. Wipe the sweat out of his eyes. Pretend he never snored or blew his nose or hit his thumb with a hammer."



### FACETIME

WITH GOD

Lord Jesus thank you for being fully human in order to save me. You are my brother and I worship you for ....

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