



## Message Series Guide

Nothing Greater

Part 2 – King, Founder, Brother, Priest

Hebrews 2:5-18

The Letter of Hebrews was written to a group of Hebrew Christians who were struggling with their faith. The bottom line was they were having trouble with consistency. They knew there was something powerful about Jesus, but they struggled to stay devoted and steadfast to Him. Many of us today wish we were more consistent and steadfast in our own faith walk. In chapter 2 of Hebrews, the author offers four word pictures of Jesus Christ that remind us that He is greater than our doubts, our fears and our failures. If we see these four distinct pictures of Jesus correctly, it can make a big difference in the consistency and power of our spiritual walk with the Lord.

### **READ:**

**Hebrews 2:5-18 | Philippians 2:5-8 | I Corinthians 15:55-57 | John 20:17**

- Why does God care for man? How is this care evidenced in your life?
- What does it mean that Jesus was made a little lower than the angels? Why was it necessary for Jesus to be made lower than the angels? Was this condition temporary or permanent? Why?
- Why is it foundational that Jesus was fully man and fully God? What did Jesus' death, burial and resurrection accomplish for mankind? Why could man not pay his own sin debt?
- Why does it seem the earth is NOT fully under the subjection of Jesus? Why do we believe Jesus is in charge of everything? How will that fact be revealed one day?
- How is Jesus a King who rescued us? How is Jesus the Founder (Champion) of our salvation?
- How is Jesus a Brother who is not ashamed of us? How is Jesus a faithful Priest who relates to our struggles?

### **DISCUSS:**

- Why was it fitting for the Savior to become just like those He was going to save? What does this tell us about God's plan for redemption?
- Why are people afraid of death? What does it mean that Jesus defeated death? How does Jesus' victory over death bring us hope?
- What was the role of the High Priest in the Old Testament? Why is Jesus now our High Priest?
- How does Jesus relate to us in suffering and temptation? How does Jesus help those who are suffering and those battling temptation?
- Jesus is King, Founder, Brother and Priest. How does this reality make the Gospel truly good news? How is Jesus' victory over the cross also our victory?

### **PRAY:**

Pray for the wisdom and depth to understand how Jesus is the King who came to your rescue; the Founder of your salvation; the Brother who is not ashamed of you; and the Priest who can relate to your suffering.

### **RESPOND:**

As you meditate on Hebrews 2, how do you think the Holy Spirit is prompting you to respond in regard to who Jesus is and what He's done for you through His death, burial and resurrection.