



JESUS IS BETTER THAN:

- The angels
- Moses
- Old priesthood
- Old covenant
- The temple
- Animal sacrifice



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HEBREWS 13:1-3

Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it. Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering.

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HEBREWS 13:4-6

Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral. Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said;

HEBREWS 13:4-6

"Never will I leave you;
never will I forsake you."
So we say with confidence,
"The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid.
What can mere mortals do to me?"

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HEBREWS 13:7-9...17

Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings....

HEBREWS 13:7-9...17

Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you.

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HEBREWS 13:15-16

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

NUMBERS 22:21-33

Balaam got up in the morning, saddled his donkey and went with the Moabite officials. But God was very angry when he went, and the angel of the LORD stood in the road to oppose him. Balaam was riding on his donkey, and his two servants were with him. When the donkey saw the angel of the LORD standing in the road with a drawn sword in his hand, it turned off the road into a field. Balaam beat it to get it back on the road.

Then the angel of the LORD stood in a narrow path through the vineyards, with walls on both sides. When the donkey saw the angel of the LORD, it pressed close to the wall, crushing Balaam's foot against it. So he beat the donkey again.

Then the angel of the LORD moved on ahead and stood in a narrow place where there was no room to turn, either to the right or to the left. When the donkey saw the angel of the LORD, it lay down under Balaam, and he was angry and beat it with his staff. Then the LORD opened the donkey's mouth, and it said to Balaam, "What have I done to you to make you beat me these three times?"

Balaam answered the donkey, "You have made a fool of me! If only I had a sword in my hand, I would kill you right now."

The donkey said to Balaam, "Am I not your own donkey, which you have always ridden, to this day? Have I been in the habit of doing this to you?"

"No," he said.

Then the LORD opened Balaam's eyes, and he saw the angel of the LORD standing in the road with his sword drawn. So he bowed low and fell facedown. The angel of the LORD asked him, "Why have you beaten your donkey these three times? I have come here to oppose you because your path is a reckless one before me. The donkey saw me and turned away from me these three times. If it had not turned away, I would certainly have killed you by now, but I would have spared it."

SOMETIMES WE ARE CALLED TO BE THE DONKEY FOR THOSE THAT CHOOSE A RECKLESS PATH.

LIKE JESUS, WE BRING TRUTH AND LIGHT THAT EXPOSE THEIR LIES AND DARKNESS... LIKE BALAAM THEY LOOK FOOLISH

PEOPLE THAT CHOOSE THE DARKNESS AND BELIEVE THE LIES SEE PEOPLE STANDING IN THE TRUTH AND SHINING THE LIGHT AS "MEAN AND UNCARING"

WE MAY BE CALLED TO TAKE A BEATING TO KEEP THEM FROM HARM UNTIL THE LORD OPENS THEIR EYES TO SEE.

AS A DONKEY CARRIED THE JESUS INTO JERUSALEM ON PALM SUNDAY WE ARE TO CARRY JESUS TO THOSE WHO ARE BURIED IN THE DARKNESS AND LIES OF THIS WORLD.

