

# Looking Unto Jesus (Study Guide To Hebrews)

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The epistle to the Hebrews was written to believers who had been Jews. Its purpose is to promote maturity in Christian living.

In matters of the faith, childhood is temporary, adolescence is transistional and it is this Christian maturity to which the Gospel ministry is directed. An apple tree is normal when it is producing fruit; just so with the fruit bearing of the mature Christian.

Many great opportunities for the spread of the Gospel are missed by the contemporary emphasis on childhood and youth. Much is lost as the development and training of the mature Christian is neglected.

It is true, much care must be given to the growth and development of immature Christians. Many of the epistles were written as instruction geared to this aspect of Christian life. However, the plan and purposes of God would fall short of fulfillment if the Christian and his church remained in this immature stage.

It is the mature, fruitful Christian that glorifies God (John 15:8). Therefore, there must be a ministry suited to nourish the mature believer. The epistle to the Hebrews is the classic Scripture specifically for mature believers. The subject does not deal with problems of conduct, discipline, doctrine or error, but a close examination of the believer's personal relationship to the living Lord. "Lo, I come to do *thy will*, O God." Heb. 10:7-9. It is here we persevere until the promises are realized.

This study guide is to be helpful with Dr. Gutzke's teaching on radio, as well as home study tapes. The following OUTLINE & STUDY GUIDE is provided to help you gain the most as you follow each message.

It is the purpose of this study guide to reinforce your learning by permitting you to summarize in your own words and then write it down. If you will do it, your understanding will be improved. It will become part of you.

We have no set of correct answers, but God will speak to you as you follow the messages and study the Scriptures. May your blessing be great.

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## Study Guide To Hebrews

### **God Hath Spoken By His Son (1:1-4)**

To whom would this letter be addressed today? Why?

Is it enough to think of Christ only as Savior?

Does God have more to tell us than He has revealed in Christ?

### **Better Than Angels (1:5-14)**

What is an angel? What does he do?

How is Christ better?

### **More Earnest Heed (2:1)**

What does the gospel tell us?

What does it tell us more than the Old Testament law?

How shall we keep the gospel?

### **Neglecting So Great Salvation (2:2-4)**

Who can neglect salvation?

Was the Old Testament's message faulty? Has it been discarded?

Why should the gospel of Christ be received by one who has the Old Testament?

### **Crowned With Glory and Honor (2:5-10)**

What contrasting truths about Christ are presented?

Why did Christ come as man?

What does "perfect" mean in reference to Christ?

**More Able To Save (2:11-18)**

What was the purpose of the things that happened to Christ?

What does Christ deliver men from?

What does He call those He delivers?

**Better Than Moses (3:1-6)**

In what sense is Christ better?

What did Moses do?

Did Christ do something different? More?

**The Great Provocation (3:7-12)**

Who were those who provoked God?

Does it matter to God what we do?

How can we keep from provoking Him?

**Now Is The Time (3:13-19)**

What day is God most concerned about for us?

Will we be as anxious to please God tomorrow if we do not try today?

Do all of God's children receive everything He offers them? Why?

**The Promise Of Rest (4:1-4)**

What sort of "rest" is promised?

How would we enter into this rest?

**Labor To Enter (4:5-11)**

Is our spiritual growth and maturity only up to God?

The Israelites had the Law of God, why did they fail?

How could we assure our faithfulness to the Lord?

**Let Us, Come Boldly (4:12-16)**

Is the fear of God a correct attitude and motive?

How might we act wrongly out of fear?

What would be the correct response to fear of the Lord?

**Function Of The High Priest (5:1-4)**

Why did Israel need a priest; and how chosen?

How did the priest serve this need?

What was to be his attitude toward the people?

**He Learned Obedience (5:5-10)**

Why did Christ serve as Priest?

Verse 7 reminds of what event?

How did Christ fulfill His role as Priest?

### **The Need of Milk (5:11-14)**

What is your Christian age and food here?

What might be holding back your growth?

### **The Milk of The Gospel (6:1-3)**

How can we teach a new Christian growth?

Indicate the importance of each.

### **Missing The Glory (6:4-9)**

In verse 4-5 what happens to a believer?

Will such a person always obey God?

What does God desire of you?

### **Obtaining The Promise (6:10-20)**

Will God always reward a faithful servant?

What did God promise Abraham? When fulfilled?

Does He deal with us any differently?

### **The Order of Melchizedek (7:1-10)**

Give titles and distinction of Melchizedek.

Show superiority of Melchizedek over Abraham. Over the Levitical priesthood?

**A Better Hope (7:11-19)**

Why was the Levitical priesthood imperfect?

What office of leadership in Israel came from the tribe of Judah?

How would the gospel of Christ provide a better hope than the law?

**Able To Save (7:20-28)**

How is Christ a better priest in Vs. 20-22; 23-24?

Is there any limit on His ability to save?

How does Christ provide Salvation?

**Better Than Aaron (8:1-6)**

Where did the priest of Israel carry out his ministry?

Who can really bring us into the presence of God?

**A New Covenant (8:7-9)**

What prophecy is being fulfilled in Christ?

In what way was the Old Covenant not enough?

**Better Than The First (8:10- 13)**

What does the law of God tell man?

Why hasn't man kept the law?

How will the New Covenant help man?

**The Holy Of Holies (9:1-10)**

Describe the two rooms in the tabernacle and what took place in each.

How often did the High Priest enter the first room? the Holy of Holies?

Why was the Holy of Holies more sacred and better?

**Purged By The Blood Of Christ (9:11-14)**

What effect did the sacrifice of animals have?

How did Christ's offering of Himself exceed that effect? Why?

**A Better Sacrifice (9:15-28)**

What does God require so that man might be forgiven for sin?

Why don't we offer sacrifices today?

What will Christ do other than remove sins?

**A Better Offering (10:1-7)**

Why was the annual Old Testament sacrifice for sin needed?

Why was Christ's offering of Himself accepted?

**I Come To Do Thy Will (10:8-18)**

What did God want of the Israelites beyond sacrifice?

What does it mean to be sanctified?

How is a Christian able to obey the will of God?

**A New And Living Way (10:19-31)**

What keeps natural man from God's blessing? What is the remedy?

What does God expect of the believer? How?

Can one reject God's Grace? Will God forgive?

**Need For Patience (10:32-39)**

How can we claim all of God's promises?

Will God provide everything at once?

**The Meaning Of Faith (11:1-10)**

Can everything a Christian believes in be proved now? Why?

What was the evidence of the faith of Abel? Noah? Abraham?

How would you define faith?

**The Faith Of Abraham (11:11-22)**

What was remarkable about the birth of Isaac?

How does God reveal His promises to us today?

Could Abraham have avoided Isaac's sacrifice?

Why did he go ahead as God commanded?

In what did Joseph show faith by his final instructions?

**The Operation Of Faith (11:23-40)**

How did Moses' faith show a denial of self?

What evidence is given of power through faith?

**Let Us Run The Race (12:1-6)**

What two basic steps are given for Christian living?

How is Christ our example?

**The Chastening Of The Father (12:7-11)**

Is there a connection between the love of God and suffering?

Why should the Christian rejoice in chastening?

What is God's purpose in chastening us?

**Let Us Have Grace (12:12-29)**

How does our faithfulness to God strengthen others?

What could we learn from Esau's example?

How should we approach God?

**Follow The Faith Of Our Leaders (13:1-8)**

Note the character God's grace should promote.

Who is the goal of the Christian's life?

**Bearing His Reproach (13:9-14)**

What happened to the bodies of animals sacrificed?

Where was Christ crucified?

Will everyone treat faithful Christians gently? Why?

**The Sacrifice Of Praise (13:15-25)**

What attitude toward God pleases Him?

Is a Christian ever really independent?

What should Christ's presence in our lives mean?