

THE BOOK OF HEBREWS

THEME - JESUS CHRIST IS THE ONE AND ONLY

THE SUPREMACY AND SUFFICIENCY OF JESUS CHRIST.
A THEOLOGY OF REDEMPTION, ATONEMENT AND MINISTRY OF THE PROMISED MESSIAH

Hebrews 12:3-11

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

ALL IN THE FAMILY - PART 2

In everything, the book of Hebrews presents Jesus Christ as the all-sufficient and eternal priest.
In all things Jesus Christ is better than Moses, than Angels, than the Law, being the centrality of those ministries.

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

rest, hope, promises, oaths, immutability, blessings, Gods' faithfulness.

Being "Spiritual" is Vogue Right Now. It Makes Its Cycles
Depending upon what is going on.

We're often reminded in Scripture that there are two, only (2)
actual families that are revealed in the Bible.

John 8:39-45

They answered and said to Him, "Abraham is our father." Jesus said to them, "If you were Abraham's children, you would do the works of Abraham. **40** But now you seek to kill Me, a Man who has told you the truth which I heard from God. Abraham did not do this. **41** You do the deeds of your father." Then they said to Him, "We were not born of fornication; we have one Father - God." **42** Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and came from God; nor have I come of Myself, but He sent Me. **43** Why do you not understand My speech? Because you are not able to listen to My word. **44** You are of *your* father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own *resources*, for he is a liar and the father of it. **45** But because I tell the truth, you do not believe Me.

A Montage of Sonship

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called **SONS of God**.

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become CHILDREN of God, to those WHO believe in His name: WHO were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are **SONS of God**. For you are all **SONS of God** through faith in Christ Jesus.

John 1:12-13, Matthew 5:9, Romans 8:14, Romans 8:19, Galatians 3:26, John 8:39-45

Our Text Before Us

Hebrews 12:3-11

3 For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls. **4** You have not yet resisted to bloodshed, striving against sin. **5** and you have forgotten the exhortation which speaks to you as to sons: *“My son, do not despise the chastening of the LORD, nor be discouraged when you are rebuked by Him;*

6 For whom the LORD loves He chastens, and scourges every son whom He receives.” **7** If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten? **8** But if you are without chastening, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons.

9 Furthermore, we have had human fathers who corrected *us*, and we paid *them* respect. Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live? **10** For they indeed for a few days chastened *us* as seemed *best* to them, but He for *our* profit, that *we* may be partakers of His holiness. **11** Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

ALL IN THE FAMILY

1.) Welcome to the family of God

vs. 3-5

Verse 3-5

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Verse 3a

3 For CONSIDER Him who
endured such hostility from sinners against Himself,

TAKE THIS TO THE HEART – LET THIS SETTLE IN

Verse 3b

lest you become
weary and discouraged in your souls.

Weary

grk: kamno

Fatigued by various concerns and situations, to be laboring under a yoke of concern, to be wearied to the point of physical sickness.

2 Corinthians 11:22-28

Are they Hebrews? So *am* I. Are they Israelites? So *am* I. Are they the seed of Abraham? So *am* I. **23** Are they ministers of Christ? - I speak as a fool - I *am* more: in labors more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequently, in deaths often. **24** From the Jews five times I received forty *stripes* minus one. **25** Three times I was beaten with rods; once I was stoned; three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I have been in the deep; **26** *in* journeys often, *in* perils of waters, *in* perils of robbers, *in* perils of *my own* countrymen, *in* perils of the Gentiles, *in* perils in the city, *in* perils in the wilderness, *in* perils in the sea, *in* perils among false brethren; **27** in weariness and toil, in sleeplessness often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness - **28** besides the other things, what comes upon me daily: my deep concern for all the churches.

discouraged

grk: ek'luo

to become despondent, to be tired to the point of carelessness, to no longer be able to hold on, (*many have had that feeling at times*)

Verse 4

4 You have not yet resisted to bloodshed,
striving against sin.

THE REALITY OF THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

IS ONE OF PERPETUAL DEVELOPMENT IN YOUR FAITH.

Resisted grk: antikathistemi
to grapple with, to set in battle array, to face off with.
i.e. *to go toe to toe with another. to enter the ring.*

Only by Spiritual Engagement

are we (you) able to enjoy the battles, the growth, the victories and the on-going warfare of being in this ever-darkening world for the cause of Christ.

1 Corinthians 10:13

No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.

Trained in Spiritual Warfare

Jude 1:9

Yet Michael the archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses, dared not bring against him a reviling accusation, but said, "The Lord rebuke you!"

Verse 5a

5 and you have forgotten the exhortation
which speaks to you as to SONS:

Verse 5b

*"My son,
do not despise the chastening of the LORD,*

Chastening grk: paideia
the rearing or parenting of a child, training, instructing, discipline, educating, shaping.

Verse 5c

*Nor be discouraged
when you are rebuked by Him;*

Discouraged grk: ek'luo
to become despondent, to be tired to the point of carelessness, to no longer be able to hold on,

Rebuked

grk: elegcho

to reveal or to expose the flaw, to convict, to point out what is foreign and not desirable.

ALL IN THE FAMILY

2.) Belonging to Him alone

vs. 6-8

Verse 6-8

6 For whom the LORD LOVES He chastens, and scourges every son whom He receives.”

7 If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten? **8** But if you are without chastening, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons.

In a Very Real Way – We Share His Name.

BEWARE OF THE EASY LIFE

Verse 6

6 For whom the LORD LOVES He chastens, and scourges every son whom He receives.”

Loves

aga'pa'o

the love of God, to love and to be loved by God who is Himself love.: —

Scourges

mastigoo

to lay strips upon, to lash or to inflict pain.

Jack – Wait Just One Minute Here.
This Sounds Like Punishment (?)



I have one word for you... Job

The man Job was a lover of God, yet he suffered.

Psalms 32:4

For day and night Your hand was **heavy upon me**; my vitality was turned into the drought of summer.

Psalms 88:7

Your wrath lies **heavy upon me**, and You have afflicted me with all Your waves.

Lamentations 3:20-23

My soul still remembers and sinks within me. 21 This I recall to my mind, Therefore I have hope. 22 Through the LORD'S mercies we are not consumed, Because His compassions fail not. 23 They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness.

Verse 7

7 If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with SONS; for what SON is there whom a father does not chasten?

WHO Are His Sons & Daughters? (His Children)

John 3:1-12

There was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews.

2 This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, "Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him." **3** Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." **4** Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" **5** Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. **6** That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. **7** Do not marvel that I said to you, "You must be born again.' **8** The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit." **9** Nicodemus answered and said to Him, "How can these things be?" **10** Jesus answered and said to him, "Are you the teacher of Israel, and do not know these things? **11** Most assuredly, I say to you, We speak what We know and testify what We have seen, and you do not receive Our witness. **12** If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things?"

John 10:4-18

4 And when he brings out his own sheep, he goes before them; and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. **5** Yet they will by no means follow a stranger, but will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers.” **6** Jesus used this illustration, but they did not understand the things which He spoke to them. **7** Then Jesus said to them again, “Most assuredly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. **8** All who *ever* came before Me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not hear them. **9** I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. **10** The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly. **11** “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep. **12** But a hireling, *he who is* not the shepherd, one who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf catches the sheep and scatters them. **13** The hireling flees because he is a hireling and does not care about the sheep. **14** I am the good shepherd; and I know My sheep, and am known by My own. **15** As the Father knows Me, even so I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. **16** And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My voice; and there will be one flock *and* one shepherd. **17** “Therefore, My Father loves Me, because I lay down My life that I may take it again. **18** No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This command I have received from My Father.”

Verse 8

8 But if you are without chastening,
of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons.

Illegitimate nothos

a bastard child, baseborn, having no pedigree, no line of lineage

The Gospel of Matthew has Jesus' Lineage through King David to Joseph.

The Gospel of Luke has Jesus' Lineage to King David through to Mary.

While The Gospel of John has Jesus' Lineage through GOD.

John 1:1-3,14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made, 14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

You and I are now in the lineage of Jesus Christ.

ALL IN THE FAMILY

3.) Prepared for the real world environment

vs. 9-11

Verse 9a

9 Furthermore, we have had human fathers who corrected us, and we paid them respect.

Verse 9b-10

Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live? **10** For they indeed for a few days chastened us as seemed best to them, but He for our profit, that we may be partakers of His holiness.

Verse 11

11 Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

James 1:2-4

My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, **3** knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. **4** But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.

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