

HOLY LIFE

DWELLING ON THE SUPERIORITY OF CHRIST

A STUDY IN THE BOOK OF HEBREWS

PASTOR'S NOTES – 4. 9. 2017

***Superior Life in Christ –
Christ's Future Works & Our Inner Motives
HEBREWS 6:1-3***

REVIEW

Week 1 – Jesus the superior One in every way, is the exact expression of God and divine in every way and serves as the ultimate communication/ revelation of God.

Week 2 – Not only is He divine, he is also elevated to the position of Yahweh – the One and Only God – The Great I Am.

Week 3 – In light of His true Identity as Sovereign God, we ought to take greater heed of what He is communicating about God. To neglect this communication/ revelation leads to drifting away from the Truth which leads to Holy Life.

Week 4 – All things are Subjected under the Son though we do not yet see the reality of all things subject on this Earth.

Week 5 – The humanity of Christ was necessary for Him to be the perfect and superior High Priest and redeemer of mankind.

Week 6 – Fix your eyes upon the person of Jesus Christ

Week 7 – The believer has been granted a rest and peace here on this earth as well as in eternity.

Week 8 – Through the Great High Priest Jesus we have been given access to the Holiest of Holies. He has walked perfectly where we walk.

Week 9 – Christ submitted to His God-given calling to go to the cross and to be resurrected into glory, becoming the very source of our Salvation.

Week 10 – Christ is the example of a life of continual growth and strengthening.

THIS WEEK'S OVERLYING PRINCIPLES

- *The author of Hebrews brilliantly layers his argument throughout.*
- *We never “outgrow” the spiritual milk of the Gospel .*
- *But growing beyond the finished works of Christ should be a natural endeavor and product of a believer.*
- *We should seek the unfinished work of Christ. These unfinished works are the actions of Christ's Spirit working in us and around us*
- *the on-going works of transformation rooted presently in Christ's present position as High Priest.*

The Unfinished Works of Christ!

I. Signs of Spiritual Dullness.

- we never outgrow the milk of the Gospel
- But let us not lazily stay only there

II. Strengthening our Spiritual Senses

- the Normalcy of Spiritual Growth in Christians

III. Let's Not Abandon the Perfect and Mature for Lesser

- Finished Works vs. Unfinished Works of Christ

IV. When Christ Works on My Insides

- More than Outward Appearance/more than palms
- Clearing out the distractions from My Temple

DEFINITIONS:

LAZY – Slow, Sluggish, Languid or Culpably Negligent

INEXPERIENCED – Ignorant or Unskillfull

RIGHTEOUSNESS – Condition of being acceptable to God. Morally Pure

MATURE – Perfect. Brought to its end. Wanting nothing to completion.

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

1. What did you learn about God in this passage?
2. What did you learn about yourself in this passage?
3. In what ways does spiritual milk still benefit you?
4. What is your definition of spiritual maturity? Is it practical?
5. What are the unfinished works of Christ? How does your spirit respond to them?
6. What do you see as the main differences between finished and unfinished works as they pertain to guiding and growing you?
7. In the list of finished works of Hebrews 6:1-3 what do you relate to the most?
8. Explain how finished and unfinished works of Christ serve to bring you to a greater transformation into the likeness of Jesus Christ?