

The Book of Hebrews – Chap 3 & 4

“Today, if you will hear his voice...”

OUTLINE OF THE BOOK

<i>Prologue</i> (1:1-4)	<p>Jesus Christ: Superior in His Person (Superior to:) Angels, Prophets, Moses, Joshua, Sabbath, Other Priest <i>Chapters 1:1-4:13</i></p>	<p>Jesus Christ: Superior as our Priest (Better than:) Earthly Priesthood, Mosaic System, Animal Sacrifices, Daily Offerings <i>Chapters 4:14-10:18</i></p>	<p>Jesus Christ: Superior for our Life (Let us have:) Faith to believe God, Hope to Endure trials, Love to encourage others <i>Chapters 10:19-13:25</i></p>	<i>Epilogue</i> (13:20-25)	
Emphasis	INSTRUCTION		EXHORTATION		
Key Words	"Much Better than..." (1:4)	"Better..." (7:19)	"Let us..." (12:1)		
Warnings	(2:1-4)	(3:7-4:13)	(5:11-6:20)	(10:19-39)	(12:25-29)
Main Theme	THE ABSOLUTE SUPERIORITY OF JESUS CHRIST				

Chapter Three

Outline:

- 1) Chap 3:1-6 – Jesus and Moses
- 2) Chap 3:7-19 – Warnings from the Past

Comparing Jesus and Moses

MOSES

- ✘ Leader of God's People
- ✘ Faithful in all Appointments
- ✘ Tried and Failed
- ✘ Faithful as a Servant
- ✘ "in God's House"
- ✘ "the Law of Moses"

JESUS

- ✘ Savior of God's People
- ✘ Faithful in all Appointments
- ✘ Tried and Perfected
- ✘ Faithful as a Son
- ✘ "over God's House"
- ✘ "the Law of Christ"

Psalms 95

- Quoted 5 times in Chap 3 & 4
 - 3:7-11, 3:15, 4:3, 4:5, 4:7
- Two Main themes of Psalms 95
 - Call to Worship
 - Call to Obedience
- Worship and Obedience are tied together
 - Biblical Doctrine
- The concept of “Today” ...
 - The waters at Meribah
 - Israel was there twice

The Redemption, the Journey and the Rest

<p>Egyptian Captivity</p>	<p>R E D S E A</p>	<p>Wilderness Wanderings (Learning to Worship)</p>	<p>J O R D A N</p>	<p>CANAAN (Rest) Via Joshua</p>
<p>Living in Sin</p>	<p>R O M 6: 4</p>	<p>Wilderness Wanderings (Learning to Worship)</p>	<p>D E A T H</p>	<p>HEAVEN (Rest) Via Jesus</p>

Chapter Four

Outline:

- 1) Chap 4:1-10 – Rest for the People of God
- 2) Chap 4:11-13 – The Word of God
- 3) Chap 4:14-16 – The Compassionate Christ

Rest for the People of God (v.1-10)

1. Genesis 2 – God Blessed and Hallowed it
2. Exodus – A Sabbath Rest is Introduced
 1. Exodus 16:23 - Rest is given
 2. Exodus 20 – The Sabbath – keep it Holy
3. Joshua – Rest in the Promise Land
4. David – A Rest still remains (Psa 95:7-11)
5. Today – A Sabbath Rest remains for the People of God....let us give diligence!!!

The Word of God (v.12-13)

- “for” connects v.11 to v.12
 - Give Diligence to go to heaven
- The Word of God is:
 - Living
 - Active
 - Sharp
 - Quick to Discern the thoughts and Intend
 - Naked, laid open before his eyes
- “with whom we have to do”
 - “the one with whom we have to reckon” (New English Bible)

4 Things to Remember about Chap 4

1. “Let us fear” – (4:1)
2. “Let us...strive to enter that rest” – (4:11)
3. “Let us hold fast our confession” – (4:14)
4. “Let us...draw near to the thorne of God” – (4:16)

AND FINALLY.....

“...therefore let us draw near...”

HEBREWS 4:16 (NASB)