HEBREWS

The Superiority of Jesus Christ

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Like A River Glorious

Like a river glorious, is God's perfect peace, Over all victorious, in its bright increase; Perfect, yet it floweth, fuller every day, Perfect, yet it groweth, deeper all the way.

*Stayed upon Jehovah,
Hearts are fully blest
Finding, as He promised,
Perfect peace and rest.

Hidden in the hollow of His blessed hand, Never foe can follow, never traitor stand; Not a surge of worry, not a shade of care, Not a blast of hurry touch the spirit there.

*Stayed upon Jehovah, Hearts are fully blest Finding, as He promised, Perfect peace and rest. Every joy or trial falleth from above, Traced upon our dial by the Sun of Love; We may trust Him fully all for us to do. They who trust Him wholly find Him wholly true.

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- I. The Superiority of Jesus Christ: Doctrinal (1:1-10:18)
 - A. Christ's Superiority in His Person (1:1-4:13)
 - B. Christ's Superiority in His Priesthood (4:14–10:18)
- II. The Superior Christian Life: Practical (10:19-13:25)
 - A. Life of Faith (10:19–11:40)
 - **B.** Life of Patient Endurance (12:1-29)
 - C. Life of Love and Good Deeds (13:1-21)
 - D. Conclusion (13:22-25)

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 (Heb. 4:14–10:18)
 - His superior <u>priesthood</u> (4:14–7:28)
 - His superior covenant (8:1-13)
 - His superior sanctuary (9:1-12)
 - His superior <u>sacrifice</u> (9:13–10:18)

Hebrews 1–2

- Jesus Christ > Angels
- NT Revelation > OT Law

- 1. In His Deity
- 2. In His Humanity

The 5 Warning Passages in the Book of Hebrews

- 1. Warning #1 (2:1-4): THE PERIL OF NEGLECT
 - > The path to glory is the path of suffering
- 2. Warning #2 (3:7-4:13): THE PERIL OF DISOBEDIENCE
 - > The path to rest is the path of trusting
- 3. Warning #3 (5:11-6:20): THE PERIL OF IMMATURITY
 - > The path to growth is the path of obeying
- 4. Warning #4 (10:26-31): THE PERIL OF REJECTION
 - The path to reward is the path of enduring
- 5. Warning #5 (12:25-29): THE PERIL OF REFUSAL
 - > The path to holiness is the path of discipline

4 Views on the Warning Passages

1. Christians who lose their salvation

- 2. Professing "believers" who abandon their profession
- 3. Hypothetical situation for genuine believers who abandon their faith

4. Christians who are in danger of willfully rejecting Christ by returning to the safe haven of Judaism

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The Sabbath

- The Sabbath: A time of physical & spiritual refreshment (Exod. 20:8-11; 23:12; Deut. 5:12-19)
- The Sabbath: A sign of the Mosaic Covenant (Exod. 31:12-18)
- By the 1st cent., the Sabbath had been perverted and had become a burden for the people (i.e., the Law).