

sermon notes

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October 30, 2022 | “Moses Inferior” | **Hebrews 3:1-6**

- 1) Jesus is superior to Moses in his _____
(Heb 3:1-2)

- 2) Jesus is superior to Moses in his _____
(Heb 3:3-4)

- 3) Jesus is superior to Moses in his _____
(Heb 3:5-6)

Questions for Further Application of God’s Word:

GO DEEPER

Read Hebrews 3:1-6. Why does the author of Hebrews call his readers “holy brothers?” In what sense are Christians holy? In what sense are Christians brothers? How does this relate to what the author said in 2:10-18 about Jesus being our Big Brother? How do we share in a “heavenly calling” (cf. Eph 2:6-7; Phil 3:20-21; Rev 7:15-17; 21:1-22:5)?

The author uses two terms for Jesus: 1) apostle and 2) high priest. Explore these terms. What is an apostle, and how does this term apply to Jesus (cf. John 4:34; 5:24, 30, 36-38; 6:38; Gal 4:4-5; 1 John 4:10)? How is Jesus our high priest? In what sense was Moses an apostle and high priest for the Israelites? How is Jesus superior to Moses in those categories?

What’s the difference between sonship and servanthood? How does the author use this contrast in verses 5-6 to explain the difference between Jesus and Moses? How is Jesus’s glory superior to Moses’s glory?

GET PERSONAL

A key word in this passage is “faithful.” How was Christ faithful? How was Moses faithful? How do we reciprocate that faithfulness as followers of Christ? The author uses the term “hold fast” in verse 6. How do we hold fast to the hope that we have in Christ Jesus? What is that hope? What should we say about those who fail to hold fast to that hope?

PUT IT INTO PRACTICE

There is only one imperative (command) in this passage. The author says, “consider Jesus” in verse 1. What should we consider about Jesus? John MacArthur says, “Put your mind on Jesus and let it remain there, that you may understand who He is and what He wills.” What does the world want you to put your mind on instead of Christ?

Think about the people in your life that you speak highly of (e.g. Christian leaders, athletes, politicians, historical figures, your parents, or your grandparents). Do you ever ascribe more praise to them than you would to Jesus? Do you fixate on them more than you do Jesus? Do you look to them as messianic figures that usurp the role of Christ? If the first century Christians struggled with elevating Moses above Christ, are we in danger of something similar in our day?

ADVANCED QUESTION

Read Matthew 17:1-8. How was Jesus’s glory manifested in that event? What is significant about that event (i.e. why is this recorded in the Bible)? What is significant about the fact that Moses was there on the mount of transfiguration? Access a study Bible or commentary to help you answer these questions.