

Hebrews 2

v1. Secure yourself firmly to the Word and doctrine so that you don't miss your destination - wasting time, causing loss. The words are a picture of the sailing ships of the day. Are my knots to the Word tied in such a way so that as the winds would push me away they actually tighten or am I about to come loose or drifting? A pilot had to adjust for wind and current around him to make harbor. If he missed it may mean going on to the next one, crashing, or at least loss of time coming back around.

v2. We have just seen how Christ is infinitely superior to angels, Creator/creation Eternal/temporal The Son/sons It is believed that the Law originally came by the ministry of angelic beings. Ps 68:17, Acts 7:53, Gal 3:19

v3. If the Law was to be strictly enforced that came by angels, what then of the hand of mercy and grace stretched toward us in the incarnation? Those who heard Him experienced it's reality. What if we ignore that?

v4. The Kingdom of Heaven invaded and overpowered the darkness to show us the reality of the message, and gave us gifts to work as the body of Christ in the world. How could we be any more certain!

v5. Heb 6:5, 2Peter 3:13, The next age is ruled by us.

v6. Psalm 8:4-8 It's a good question to ask ourselves. What does God see in us we do not see in others? Why does He care so for us?

v7. The NIV note makes it fit (for a little while) lower than angels.

v8. As we are the body of Christ, all things will be put under our feet. We will rule and reign with Him Rev 20:6. Sin is still rampant. What a wonderful age to come where all is submissive to the love of Christ!

v9. He died for all! Here is the same "little while"

v10. Made the perfect sacrifice. To understand this difficult passage you must know that perfect meant without blemish, mature, fully able. If Christ did not experience all the ravages of sin, that is all the painful consequences of sin in others lives, all it's assaults on our minds, how could He be an intercessor that was fully able (perfectly) to represent us? see 17,18

author/captain is archegos- the trail blazer - one usage is the one who jumps from a grounded ship with a line to make a safe way to shore. We could not swim it! You and I would be swept away. He had to come because no human was able to secure that way..

v11. Drop to your knees! He alone makes us holy! It is so complete so real that he is not ashamed to call me his brother. How can that be? You are Jesus the Christ's brother or sister. You are holy as He is- 2Co 5:21 when you are in him.

v12. Brothers - you and me, the family of God. Who leads us in worship? You thought Mark did! No way it is the Son of God. Ps 22:22

v13,14 We are carnal physical beings and to break the hold of the enemy in our life, God made himself like us to show and become the Way.

1Co 15:58f By delivering us from the power of sin He delivered us from the power of death.

v15. Without Christ we should fear death. Deathbed stories of atheists are enough to put the fear of God in you. We know deep inside that there is judgement. We are only free when we realize the judgement is settled.

v16. Gal 3:29 The descendants of the Father of faith.

v17,18 vs 10, made our perfect sacrifice, intercessor, priest, guide, and example. How could we relate if He didn't experience humanity? He suffered every temptation without sin so that you could have a successful example!