## **Hebrews**

### **Washington Heights Baptist Church**

- 1. How has God spoken? 1:1-3
  - A. God spoke in the Old Testament era. 1:1
    - 1) At various times
    - 2) In various ways
    - 3) In time past
    - 4) To the fathers
    - 5) By the prophets
  - B. God has spoken in Jesus Christ. 1:2-3
    - 1) He is the Son
    - 2) He is the heir of all things
    - 3) He made the ages / worlds
    - 4) He is the brightness of divine glory
    - 5) He is the express image of divine personhood
    - 6) He upholds all things
    - 7) He purged our sins
    - 8) He sat down in Heaven
- 2. The superiority of Christ to angels 1:4-14

1)	He is the Son	1:4-5
2)	He receives worship from angels	1:6
3)	He uses angels as ministers	1:7
4)	He is the divine King	1:8-9
5)	He is the unchanging Creator	1:10-12
6)	He is the appointed Messiah	1:13-14

#### 3. Warning

- 2:1-4
- A. We must make a commitment to Biblical truth 2:1
- B. We must not be indifferent toward Biblical truth 2:2-3
- C. We must recognize that indifference toward Biblical truth will bring divine judgement 2:2-4

- 4. The Dominion of Man 2:5-9
  - A. Dominion given at creation 2:5-8
    - 1) Psalm 8:1-3
    - 2) Genesis 1:26-31
  - B. Dominion lost at the Fall
  - C. Dominion regained through Christ 2:9
    - 1) He became human
    - 2) He suffered in death
    - 3) He was crowned with glory and honor
    - 4) He manifested the grace of God
    - 5) He tasted death
    - 6) He died for all
- 5. How can Christ meet your needs? 2:10-18
  - A. Concern over eternity: He can take you to glory 2:10
  - B. Concern over relationships: He can make you part of His family 2:11-13

2:8

- C. Concern over death: He can set you free 2:14-15
- D. Concern over failures: He can forgive and help you 2:16-18

3:1-6

- 6. Consider Him
  - A. Because of who we are 3:1
    - 1) Brothers
    - 2) Holy
    - 3) Partakers of the heavenly calling
    - 4) Confessors
  - B. Because of who He is 3:2-6
  - 1) He is faithful3:22) He has more glory3:33) He is the builder of His house3:3-44) He is the Son3:5-65) He is over His house3:6
- 7. Do you have a hard heart? 3:7-19
  - A. Characteristics of hardness
    - 1) Rebellion3:82) Testing God3:93) Going astray3:104) Ignorance of God's ways3:10
    - 5) Lack of faith 3:19

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- **B.** Prevention and Cure for hardness
  - 1) Hear the voice of God
  - 2) Learn from the history of Israel
  - 3) Keep a watch on your heart3:12
  - 4) Encourage on another 3:13
  - 5) Persevere in faith 3:14,19
- 8. The Rest of God

- 4:1-13
- A. The meaning of rest
  - 1) The place of total enjoyment of God's promises and provisions

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- 2) The place where you actively trust God and obey Him
- 3) The place where God sustains you
- B. Three key principles
  - 1) A believer can enjoy today the rest of God by faith
  - 2) A believer can fail to experience the rest of God
  - 3) A believer should allow the Word of God to examine him hood of Christ 4:14-16
- 9. The Priesthood of Christ
  - A. He is great because of:
    - 1) Where He is
    - 2) Who He is
    - 3) What He is
    - 4) What He can do
  - B. Our privileges:
    - 1) Let us hold fast our confession
    - 2) Let us come boldly to the thrown of grace
- 10. The Two Priesthoods5:1-10
  - A. The Order of Aaron 5:1-4
    - 1) The ministry
    - 2) The call
  - B. The Order of Melchizedek 5:5-10
    - 1) The appointment of Christ
    - 2) The learning of Christ
    - 3) The saviorhood of Christ
- 11. Are you mature of immature? 5:11-6:3
  - A. Marks of immaturity 5:11-13
    - 1) Dullness toward spiritual truth
    - 2) Inability to teach / share the Word of God
    - 3) Baby-food diet
    - 4) No skill in applying the Word to life experiences

B. Marks of maturity

#### 5:14

- 1) Reception of substantial spiritual food
- 2) Application of Scriptures to life experiences
- 3) Solid Biblical and moral choices
- C. Exhortations 6:1-3
  - 1) We must go beyond the introductory issues of the Christian life
  - 2) We must go on to spiritual maturity
- 12. Warning

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- A. Do not stop, but go on 6:1-3
  - 1) Elementary principles
  - 2) Godward: Repentance and faith
  - 3) Church: Baptisms and laying on of hands
  - 4) Future: Resurrection and judgment
- B. Do not fall away, but remain firm 6:4-6
  - 1) Enlightened
  - 2) Tasted of the heavenly gift
  - 3) Partakers of the Holy Spirit
  - 4) Tasted the Word of God
  - 5) Fallen away: It's meaning
- C. Do not bear thorns, but produce fruit 6:7-8
- 13. The Promises of God 6:9-20
  - A. God has promised to remember your work and love 6:10
  - B. God has promised earthly, spiritual blessing to those who patiently believe and persevere
    6:11-15
  - C. God's promises are true 6:16-18
  - D. God's promises are guaranteed by Jesus Christ 6:19-20
- 14. Contrast of Priesthoods7:1-19
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    - 1) Melchizedek Blessed Abraham
    - 2) Abraham gave tithes to Melchizedek
  - B. Melchizedek is better than Levi 7:8-10
    - 1) Levi paid tithes in Abraham
    - 2) Melchizedek blessed Levi
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