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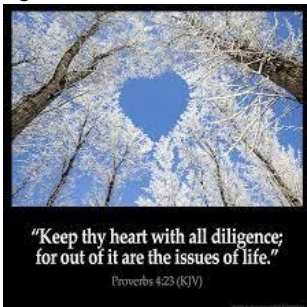
“The Warning & Work of Christ (Heb 2:1-18)

- Summary of the sermon by Pastor
on 14 Jan 2024 -

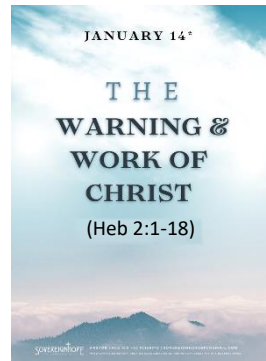
This is the second message in the Jan-Mar 2024 sermon series on “*The Majesty & Supremacy of the Son of God (Book of Hebrews)*”. The author of Hebrew continues with another sobering message for us.

1. Warning of Spiritual Neglect (vs 1-4)

- The chapter begins with “*Therefore*” and hence it is related to the preceding chapter.
- “*we ought to give the **more earnest heed** to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them **slip**.*” We have to pay attention and take heed.
- **The word “slip” means that Christians tend to drift away from God. There are worldly things that enthrall and take us away from our focus on God.**
- Prov 14:14 “*The backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways: and a good man shall be satisfied from himself.*” A sign of backsliding is when one wants to do things their own way and is self-centred. In contrast, a good (godly) man finds contentment from outside of himself i.e. in God.

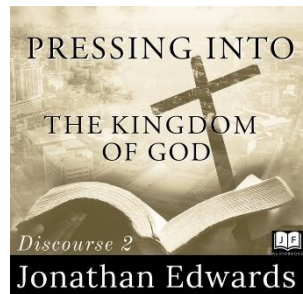


- The starting point for the backslider is the condition of the heart. Solomon in Prov 4:23 says, “*Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life.*”
- An example in the New Testament was Demas. 2 Tim 4:10 “*For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica;*



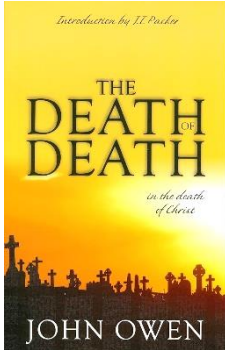
Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia.” Demas was a co-labourer with Paul, but he loved the present world and later deserted Paul and the ministry.

- 1 John 2:15-16 “*Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.*”
- **There are some who may fall away for a short season, but if truly saved will return and be brought back to the Lord.** E.g. John Mark was not doing well initially and was rejected by Paul in the ministry, but later Paul asked for him. Those who never come back to the Lord are not truly saved.
- Heb 2:3 “*How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation...*”
- How can we escape from the wrath of God, the eternal condemnation of sinners? We cannot blame God if we are negligent and disregard God and His Word.
- Luke 16:16 says - “*The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it.*”
- It is a very proactive pressing into the kingdom of God which is our duty.
- **God elects us unto salvation, but God also expects us not to neglect our duty and responsibility to seek Him too.**
- Consider what the Lord said of Judas in Mark 14:21 - “*The Son of man indeed goeth, as it is written of him: but woe to that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! good were it for that man if he had never been born.*”
- Judas was fully culpable for his own action and he cannot blame God. God did not fix him up. Judas decided for himself to betray God for 30 pieces of silver.
- The Bible said that God hardened Pharaoh’s heart, but it also said that Pharaoh hardened his own heart (see Exo 7:3, 8:32).
- We cannot blame it on God’s election if we are not saved, for we are responsible for our own condemnation.



2. Wonder of the Death of Christ (vs 9-13)

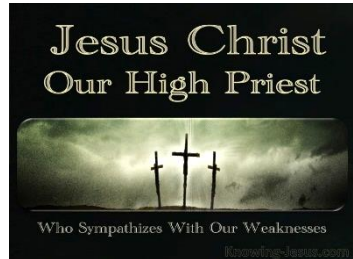
- “*But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.*” Heb 2:9. Is this a so-called contradiction as earlier in Heb 1:4 it is mentioned Christ is higher than the angels?
- No, it is not a contradiction at all. Heb 2:9 is referring to Christ in the context of His Humanity. In that sense, in His human form, He was considered lower than angels but Heb 1:4 is referring to His Deity.



- **Death is the cessation of life. The zenith of Christianity is the death of its Founder. The Death of Christ spells Life for His followers.**
- The death of Christ is what John Owen the famous Puritan said was “**The Death of Death.**”
- We glory in the cross and we are not ashamed of it for it gives us life.
- **it a glorious mystery of the Cross where Jesus died for us. We can tell others of this glorious message of His death, and that He rose 3 days later, victorious over the grave.**
- Satan has a temporal power, the power of death. “*And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.*” Heb 2:15
- But Christ came to destroy death by His Death on the Cross.
- One “S” in the **S**uffering of Christ for us has an important impact. It resulted in three “S’s” – our **S**alvation, **S**anctification & the **S**ecurity of our souls.

3. Work of the Merciful & Faithful High Priest (vs 14-18)

- Heb 2:17 “*Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.*”



- Jesus is the Only One who is able to perform all 3 roles: **Prophet** (representing God to God), **Priest** (representing Man to God) and **King**.
- 2 important adjectives: **Merciful** (compassion & kindness) & **Faithful**
- He Is merciful - no one can say that Jesus does not understand what we are going thru in life.
- He is faithful, in contrast with human high priest such as Eli who was unfaithful.

Conclusion

Praise God for our Lord Jesus for We have a Great Savior and a Caring God. We need follow Christ and to be faithful and merciful in our stewardship and to be like our Lord in the New Year.

Ng Kim Meng

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Lord's Day Programme for January to March 2024

JANUARY

- 7 **Christ**, the Name above All Names (Heb 1:1-14)
- 14* The Warning & Work of **Christ** (Heb 2:9-18)
- 21 Admonitions from the Wilderness (Heb 3:1-14)
- 28 Precious Promises & the Power of God (Heb 4:1-16)

FEBRUARY

- 4 **6th Thanksgiving Anniversary**
Equipping a
Worshipping
Working &
Witnessing
Transformed
Church Community
(Rom 12:1-13)
- 11* **Christ**, the Perfect Great High Priest (Heb 5:1-14)
- 18 Appeal to Spiritual Maturity (Heb 6:1-12)
- 25 Understanding Christ & the Sanctuary of God (Heb 9:11-28)

MARCH

- 3 The Lamb of God & Challenges to the People of God (Heb 10:11-25)
- 10* Examples of Faith Tested & Tried (Heb 11:1-16)
- 17 Counsel for the Christian Race (Heb 12:1-17)
- 24 Sacred Duties of Every Believer (Heb 13:1-17)
- 29* **Good Friday**
The Vicarious Atonement Explained (Rom 5:6-19)
- 31 **Resurrection Sunday Service**
The Implications of the Empty Tomb (1 Cor 15:1-23)

Come & Rejoice with Us!

SOVEREIGNHOPE
bible presbyterian church

6th

**Sun 4 Feb 2024
10am**

Thanksgiving

ANNIVERSARY

***Equipping a Worshipping,
Working & Witnessing
Transformed Church
Community (Romans 12:1-13)
- Rev Philip Heng***

Kindly inform **Dn Yue Kay** (hp:97450311)
by 21 Jan as lunch will be provided.



***With Grateful Thanks from Gilead Balm Home, Yangon,
Myanmar (Eld Habakkuk)***

Pastor Jack,

We praise God for His love that opens the door for us to have received and enjoyed the Christmas love gift by the end of the year 2023 as we have purchased the new clothes for each of us the whole family (18 people), a special meal with chicken and pork meat on December 27, and also i have saved 50,000 kyats for the four widows in Tahan, Kalay township..

The money designated and sent by the SHBPC means a lot to us.

We keep praying for you all every day.

God bless all for His glory!

Eld Habukkuk

Gilead Balm Home, Yangon



Calling the Sabbath a Delight @Sovereign Hope BPC on 14 Jan 2023

Isa 58:13-14 *"If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and **call the sabbath a delight**, the holy of the LORD, honourable; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words:*

Then shalt thou ***delight thyself in the LORD***; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.



**Logos Teaching
– a Ministry of
Sovereign Hope BPC**

Good morning our dear Rev Dr Jack Sin,
Thanks a lot for your kind sharing the important and useful lecture notes (and video). Yes, I will use it for our church leaders and Bible students.

Really appreciate your great love so much.
With much love and respect,
Your students,

**Rev Sun Sokha and Nam Soon
Pastor, Glory BPC, PP, Cambodia**



Christian Apologetics Lesson 4: Creation vs Evolution

Logos Teaching by Rev Dr Jack Sin- a ministry of youtube.com

<https://youtu.be/RvJ6Ahwhow>

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Dear My Teacher Jack,
Thank you very much Sir. This will be very helpful in my teaching ministry in the tradition of 2 Tim 2:2.

May you continue to be blessed as you continue ministering to us. I am very grateful.

Faithful Student

**Rev Jonathan Langat
Pastor, Lecturer
African Gospel Unity Church/
Bomet Bible Institute, Kenya**



Thank you for sharing, Pastor Dr. Jack,
Since I started to go through some of the documents you send and video of your teaching, it hath been helpful for me and I hope that will shape my understanding and delivering the word of God effectively.

May the Lord bless.

**Pastor David Drugumamupenda
Elshadai Revival Church, Rwanda**

Memory Verse

Heb 3:13 But exhort one another daily, while it is called To day; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.

Announcements

1. Welcome to our Sunday Worship Service! If you are here for the first time, do leave us your contact numbers in our guest book before you leave. Those who share the church vision to acquire a place of worship in due time, may designate your offerings to the SHBPC Church Building Fund.
2. Pastor is preaching and administering the Lord's Supper at Gospel Light BPC this morning.
3. Rev Nathan brings us God's Word this morning on "**Admonitions from the Wilderness (Heb 3:1-14)**", the new quarterly series on "**The Majesty & Supremacy of the Son of God (Book of Hebrews)**".
4. Next Sunday morning, Pastor will preach on "**Precious Promises & Power of God (Heb 4:1-16)**".
5. Sunday School classes after the worship service continue as follows:
 - Westminster Confession of Faith - Pastor
 - Studies in 2 Chronicles - Dr Kwong Leen
6. Chinese Fellowship meets on every Sunday night at 7pm via Zoom with both local and overseas brethren. We have systematic studies on Kingdoms, Covenants and Canon of the Old Testament and the Parables of Jesus. Join us for a time of profitable learning. [Zoom ID:883 9662 4157 Passcode:625551].
7. We will commemorate **our 6th Anniversary Thanksgiving on Sun 4 Feb 2024**. Rev Philip Heng will bring us God's Word on "**Equipping a Worshipping, Working & Witnessing Transformed Church Community (Rom 12:1-13)**". Do mark the date to come and rejoice with us and let Dn Yue kay know if you are bringing a friend!
8. Pray for our brethren in their:
 - Health: Janet's full recovery from hand and leg op, Kin Hoong's continuing medical investigations, Anthony's treatment plan, Angie's brother Anson's carotid artery stent procedure on 25 Jan.
 - Travels: Perry & Marissa (27/12- 25/1).
9. Do send your prayer items to Pastor and join us for Church Prayer Meeting on Wed at 8pm via Zoom. The prayer list is available in church. [Zoom ID:863 7527 5431 Passcode:218178]
10. Love gifts, Offering and Tithes to the Lord can be given in the following ways:
 - **Cheque** payable to **Sovereign Hope Bible Presbyterian Church** and mail to church address. (Kindly write the full name of the church as indicated.)
 - **Fund transfer** to Church **UOB** Account **392-308-825-1**
 - **PayNow** to Church UEN: **T19SS0116FSOV**

Kindly indicate "**Church Building Fund**" if you would like to designate towards this cause.
