

February 16, 2025
HEBREWS 2:10-18
“I Will Put My Trust In Him”

PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICAL APPLICATION

V 10, “God” here refers to God the Father as the ultimate source of creation and all things. Read **Hebrews 1:2** carefully. Made perfect is found 9 times in this epistle. Jesus made perfect is a startling concept to apply to Jesus. This perfection comes by understanding that Jesus went through a completion/perfection of the salvation of mankind **process**. A completion of the plan, not a correcting of any imperfection is implied; and by the way God’s plan.

V 12, Jesus never called people His brothers before the crucifixion, they were referred to as His disciples or friends or sheep. When He died for our sins and His righteousness was imputed to us, then we truly became spiritual brothers of the Lord. The author clarifies his point with an appeal to Scripture; **Psalms 22**, Jesus recognizes believers as kin. Ponder the imagery set forth here of a gathering/congregation of Christians. Are you a part of the family of God?

V 15, For some there is a great fear of death. The devil uses this fear to enslave people to do his bidding. For self preservation people make wrong choices; example, rob a bank to meet physical needs. The author reminds his audience then and now, you are no longer subject to such slavery. By this good news you and I can face death with the same confidence that King Jesus did, amazing grace! (Interestingly, today there is a flippant disregard by many regarding death and even if there is an afterlife.) Both of these camps are terrible to place oneself in and so unnecessary, Jesus defeated death! Oh death, where is your sting? **I Corinthians 15:54-58**.

Vv 17-18, Here for the first time the author introduces Jesus as High Priest. Throughout His earthly life, Jesus suffered just like us, except without sin. Jesus gets us, He was one of us.

Application: “These Jewish Christians were daily tempted to give up Christ, to apostatize from Christianity. Jesus understands himself (*autos*) their predicament and is able to help them to be faithful.” *A. T. Robertson* Jesus trusted the Father on the cross, He commended His human spirit into the Father’s hands. This is clearly a dying trust. Do you have that kind of faith in what you have committed unto Him on the day you die? If sin and death have been defeated, and they have, why would anyone stay on the losing side? What have you done with Jesus? It is time to make a decision. “Trust” total reliance on Him. “Choose-decide to go with.” Just like people decide which brand of vehicle works for them, make a choice. Not to make a choice is to make a choice. Joshua wrote, “But if it doesn’t please you to worship the Lord, choose for yourselves today: Which will you worship-the gods your ancestors worshiped beyond the Euphrates River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living? As for me and my family, we will worship the Lord.” **Joshua 24:15**. Do you need to make a decision today and say, I will put my trust in Him? The invitation is there for you to come be a part of the gathering.

