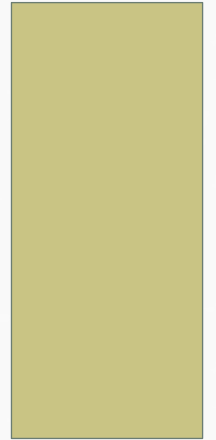


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– CHAPTER 3 –

JESUS IS BETTER THAN MOSES



JESUS AND MOSES

Similarities

- Appointed by God
- Faithful to God
- Forsook status
- Rejected by Jews
- Miracles and signs
- Transfigured
- Delivered God's law
- Miraculous bread
- Accomplished mission

Contrasts

- Son vs servant
- Builder vs laborer in house
- Sinless vs sinful
- God's plan vs pattern
- Spiritual vs physical bondage
- Spiritual vs physical manna
- Whole world vs Israel
- Resurrected vs buried
- High Priest vs Levite

THE FAITHFUL SON AND THE FAITHFUL SERVANT

- **Heb 3:1** Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, Christ Jesus...
- **Heb 3:2** who was faithful to Him who appointed Him, as Moses also was faithful in all His house.
- **Heb 3:6** but Christ as a Son (*was faithful*) over His own house, whose house we are if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm to the end.

LESSONS FROM THE WILDERNESS

“TAKE HEED, BRETHREN”

- Evil heart of unbelief
- Departing from the living God
- Exhort one another daily
- Deceitfulness of sin
- Hold fast in confidence steadfast to the end
- Unbelief keeps us from God's rest



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THREE QUESTIONS (HEB 3:16-19)

- Who having heard, rebelled?
All who came out of Egypt, led by Moses
- With who was He angry forty years?
Those who sinned, whose corpses fell
- Who did He swear would not enter His rest?
Those who did not obey

So we see that they could not enter in (*His rest*) because of unbelief

IN WHAT WAYS DOES HEBREWS 3 CHALLENGE YOU TO GROW?

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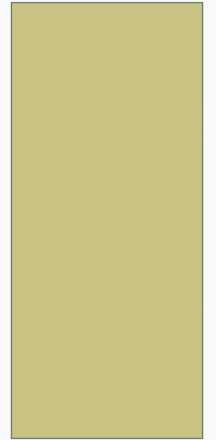
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– CHAPTER 4 –

BE DILIGENT TO ENTER GOD'S REST



WHAT IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY TO ENTER GOD'S REST

- **BELIEF**
 - In God's word, promises, and ability to aid us
 - Compare Heb 3:19 and 4:2, 6, 11
- Where does **BELIEF** originate?
 - Hearing the Gospel (good news) Heb 4:2
- What does this **BELIEF** prompt?
 - Obedience and trust Heb 4:2
- **John 14:6** I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

GOD'S REST

- **“rest”** is mentioned in Heb 3:11,18, 4:1,3,4,5,8,9,10,11
- What comes to mind when you define “rest”?
- What would the Hebrews likely use to define rest?
- Since God's rest is connected to the Israelites failure to take Canaan, is God's rest a place?
- When God's rest first mentioned of in the Bible?

GOD'S REST TOGETHER WITH MAN

- Provisions for one's needs
- Freedom from constant attention to physical needs
- Freedom from oppression and slavery
- A resultant condition of peace
- The time for fellowship with God
- Willing worship to God
- Contentment with these conditions

GOD'S REST IS OPEN NOW

- **Heb 4:1a** *Therefore, since a promise remains of entering His rest, let us fear lest any of you seem to have come short of it.*
- **Heb 4:3a** *For we who have believed do enter that rest*
- **Heb 4:9** *There remains therefore a rest for the people of God*
- **Heb 4:11** *Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest*