

Unlimited Access Study Guide: Hebrews 2 and 3

The House that Hope Built: Week of April 27

Read Together: Hebrews 2

Look For recurring themes of hope, perseverance, and the supremacy of Christ.

Discussion Questions

1. Chapter 2 opens with a warning not to "drift away." What does drifting look like in everyday life, and how does hope in Jesus keep us anchored?
 2. Hebrews 2:9 says Jesus tasted death for everyone. How does this truth fuel our hope in seasons of fear, grief, or doubt?
 3. In verses 14–15, the author reminds us Jesus frees us from the fear of death. How does this freedom impact the way we live, love, and take risks for the Kingdom?
Thought: What would you do differently if you really believed death wasn't the end?
 4. Hebrews 2:17 describes Jesus as our merciful and faithful high priest. How was Jesus different from the high priests in the Old Testament? How did this change our access to God?
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Read Together: Hebrews 3

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1. How does Jesus differ from Moses? Why is he greater? What does this mean for us? Think about the difference between what Moses offered freedom from and what Jesus offers freedom from.

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2. In Sunday's sermon, Nathaniel spoke about cardboard walls we build in our own houses, the hope borrowed from this world. What are some examples of temporary hope, security (aka cardboard walls) we try to build our houses with?
3. Hebrews 3:6 says we are God's house "if we hold fast our confidence and the hope in which we boast." What are practical ways to "hold fast" when life feels like a storm, when our cardboard walls get bombarded?
4. What does it mean to "boast in our hope" in a culture that often equates hope with wishful thinking? How is biblical hope different?
5. Discuss the quote in the sermon "Hope isn't a guest in your life. It's the architect of who you're becoming." What does that mean to you?
6. We are called to "fix our thoughts on Jesus." What competes for our attention and focus? What practical steps can we take to better focus our hearts and minds on Jesus?
7. Hebrews 3:12 warns against a heart that turns away from God. How can hope act as a safeguard against unbelief or discouragement?
8. Verse 13 encourages us to encourage one another daily. What role does encouragement play in keeping our hope alive—and how can we make this part of our group rhythm? Who needs a hope text this week?

Thought to ponder:

"If hope is a muscle, how is yours doing right now? And what spiritual exercise can help strengthen it this week?"