

The Wonder of Jesus!

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Hebrews 2:5-9

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Reminder:

- Theme of Hebrews: Jesus is Better!
- As believers we can easily lose perspective of the wonder of being a Christian redeemed by Christ and a member of Christ's kingdom!

An Appeal to Scripture

- Our pastor points us to Scripture's storyline to see Christ!
- Psalm 8 - a Psalm of David... points us back to Gen 1:26
- Ps 8:3-4: considering what man was created to be...
- Why would God still care about man?
- God made man "ruler" over the world... but man fell^{Gen3:16-19}
- Ps 8 helps us see God's solution to man's fall v5-6ff
- Christ Jesus is God's answer to man's fall!
- Heb 1:13 vs 2:8 Jesus better than angels
- Christ is representative of new humanity^{1Co15:25-27; Eph1:20-22; 1Pt3:22}

Yea, But the World is Still Broken

- Believers still experience a fallen world...
- The pastor acknowledges that reality: Heb 2:8-9
- Jesus' work **inaugurated** the kingdom...
- We are still waiting for the **consummation** of the kingdom
- Our hope: We see Jesus⁹ who has fulfilled the OT!

Some Pretty Intense Theology & Reminders

- The Humiliation of Christ - the Incarnation
- The Humiliation of Christ - the Atonement
- For Whom Did Christ Die?
- 'Everyone' all kinds of people from all people groups^{Jn6:37,39}
- Christ's Humiliation was for YOU by God's grace
- The Exaltation of Christ - the Mediator
- Jesus is now crowned with glory & honor^{Hb2:9}
- Remember Jesus will return soon^{Mk13:24-27}

So What?

- Christ's humiliation & exaltation provides believers with a pattern for Christian living: humiliation precedes exaltation
- In trials, look to Christ^{Act14:22; 2Tim2:11-12}
- Never forget: Jesus' reign is sure - Jesus is on the throne!
- Don't let circumstances rule your life - Look to Jesus and His completed work on your behalf rule your life!

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