



Welcome To Open Bible Hour

Thank you for joining us on this Lord's Day!

Our desire is that you may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ as we pursue an in-depth study of the book of Hebrews.

If you have a prayer request, for which you would like us to pray, please fill out a prayer sheet at the back table and give to Lyle.

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Open Bible Hour Christmas Banquet

Tuesday, December 4, 6:00 p.m.

Wooddale Church, Great Room

Register at the Wooddale Ticket Desk

Beginning Sunday, November 4

\$12.00 / person

Bring a gender-neutral gift to share

(\$5 value)

“5 REASONS JESUS HAD TO BECOME A MAN”

PART 3

Heb. 2:14-18

Nov. 18, 2012

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Implications:

1. Christ had to become like us in flesh & blood in order to die. Angels are not made of flesh & blood and therefore angels don't die.
2. Satan brought sin and death into this world, by getting Adam and Eve to fall, but it was by that same death that would spell his defeat. God turned the tables.
3. Satan cannot overpower, entice, execute judgment over anyone who willingly chooses, by the power of God, to resist him.
4. Satan therefore becomes the instrument in God's hands for endless exaltation and glory throughout eternity.

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Rom 3:22

25 whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith. This was to demonstrate His righteousness,

Rom 5:8

8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Rom 9:17

17 For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, "FOR THIS VERY PURPOSE I RAISED YOU UP, TO DEMONSTRATE MY POWER IN YOU, AND THAT MY NAME MIGHT BE PROCLAIMED THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE EARTH."

Dan 2:21

21 "It is He who changes the times and the epochs;
He removes kings and establishes kings;

Prov 21:1

21 The king's heart is like channels of water in the hand of the Lord;
He turns it wherever He wishes.

Rom 9:22-23

22 What if God, although willing to demonstrate His wrath and to make His power known, endured with much patience vessels of wrath prepared for destruction?

23 And He did so to make known the riches of His glory upon vessels of mercy, which He prepared beforehand for glory,

1 Tim 1:16

16 so that in me as the foremost, Jesus Christ might demonstrate His perfect patience as an example.

Luke 1:57-58

57 Now the time had come for Elizabeth to give birth, and she gave birth to a son.

58 Her neighbors and her relatives heard that the Lord had displayed His great mercy toward her; and they were rejoicing with her.

Ezek 28:22

22 'Thus says the Lord God,

"Behold, I am against you, O Sidon,

And I will be glorified in your midst.

Then they will know that I am the Lord when I execute judgments in her,

And I will manifest My holiness in her.

Eph 1:4-14

- 5 He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will,
- 6 **to the praise of the glory of His grace**, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.
- 7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace
- 8 which He lavished on us. In all wisdom and insight
- 9 He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His kind intention which He purposed in Him
- 10 with a view to an administration suitable to the fullness of the times, that is, the summing up of all things in Christ, things in the heavens and things on the earth. In Him
- 11 also we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will,
- 12 to the end that we who were the first to hope in Christ would be **to the praise of His glory**.
- 13 In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation — having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise,
- 14 who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of God's own possession, **to the praise of His glory**.

4. To free believers from the slavery of the fear of death. (15)

15 and might free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives.

10 Things Every Believer Needs To Know About Death

“THE DEATH OF DEATH”

1. Death entered the world because of sin. Death should cause us to hate sin.

Rom 5:12

12 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned —

2. Death was the “payment” for sin and became a curse given by God.

Rom 6:23

23 For the wages of sin is death,

3. Death became the enemy of the human race.

1 Cor 15:26

26 The last enemy that will be abolished is death.

4. Death came to man spiritually, physically, and eternally.

5. Death occurs twice for the unbeliever.

Rev 20:6,14,15

6 Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no power,

14 Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire.

15 And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

6. Jesus Christ by His death on the cross conquered death.

2 Tim 1:10

10 but now (grace) has been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death (***the Death of Death***) and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel,

Isa 25:8

8 He will swallow up death for all time,
And the Lord God will wipe tears away from all faces,
And He will remove the reproach of His people from all the earth;
For the Lord has spoken.

John 14:19

19b . . .because I live, you will live also.

7. Believers are justified and reconciled through Christ's death on the cross.

Rom 4:25

25 He who was delivered over because of our transgressions, and was raised because of our justification.

Rom 5:10

10 For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son,

8. *Death for the believer becomes the door, the passage way, the entrance, the stepping stone to a greater life.*

Phil 1:21,23

21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

23 But I am hard-pressed from both directions, having the desire to depart and be with Christ, for that is very much better;

2 Cor 5:8

8 we are of good courage, I say, and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord.

1 Cor 15:54-55

54 But when this perishable will have put on the imperishable, and this mortal will have put on immortality, then will come about the saying that is written, "DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP in victory.

55 "O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR VICTORY? O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR STING?"

Phil 3:20-21

20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ;

2 Cor 5:20

20 Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ,

Heb 11:13

13 All these died in faith, without receiving the promises, but having seen them and having welcomed them from a distance, and having confessed that they were strangers and exiles on the earth.

Heb 11:16

16 But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one.

Heb 13:14

14 For here we do not have a lasting city, but we are seeking the city which is to come.

9. Believers never taste the finality of death.

John 5:24

24 "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life.

John 8:46

51 "Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps My word he will never see death."

John 11:25

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies,

10. Death cannot separate believers from the love of God.

Rom 8:38-39

38 For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers,
39 nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

5. *To identify with and to come to the aid of all believers who are tempted to sin. (16-18)*

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Gal 3:29

29 And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's descendants, heirs according to promise.

Remember 3 things -

- 1. Christ could not sin but He could feel the full weight of the temptation.***
- 2. Temptation has a sequential progression to it.***

James 1:13-16

- 13 Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, and He Himself does not tempt anyone.
- 14 But each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own lust.
- 15 Then when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death.

- 3. God always provides a way of escape.***

1 Cor 10:13

- 13 No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it.

Christ experienced:

Hunger

Thirst

Anger

Grief

Sorrow

Pain

Suffering

Broken heartedness

Being overwhelmed

Loneliness

From others:

Rejection

Hatred

Animosity

Bitterness

Abandonment

Betrayal

Being forsaken

Torture

Unfaithfulness

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Application

1. Satan wants to hold onto every person he can by distracting them, enticing and tempting them with sin, deceiving them with the allurements and pleasures of this world until they die, because he knows once they are dead the opportunity for salvation is gone forever.
2. The way to eternal life is by resurrection and the way to resurrection is death.
3. No one has any hope, any solution for death except those who believe in God's Word.
4. God's grace in death will be sufficient to carry you through to the other side.
 "Through many dangers, toils and snares
 I have already come;
 'Tis Grace that brought me safe thus far
 and Grace will lead me home."
5. The Lord Jesus understands the pull of your temptation and wants you to rely on Him to resist it.