

LIFE Group Discussion Questions  
Hebrews 2:5-18 – Able to Deliver  
Week of Sept. 20-26, 2009

Summary- The writer continues his argument that Jesus is Superior to the Angels. In addition, he delves more into the person and work of Jesus. We see Him as

Founder/Author/Hero of our salvation  
Faithful and merciful High Priest  
Our Helper in temptation

Much emphasis is placed on Jesus' humanity. He is therefore able to identify with us, go before us, be our High Priest, and come to our aid in temptation. Being superior to angels, all things are in subjection to Him, as Founder of salvation, He brings many sons to glory. As High priest, He makes propitiation (satisfaction) for our sins. As one who suffered and was tempted, He is able to sympathize and help us in our temptations. He is fully qualified and able to deliver us in our (unavoidable) temptations and from our (avoidable) sins. He is worthy of our complete trust and loyalty.

General questions:

1. What grabbed your attention the most?
2. What was the big idea as you heard it?
3. What questions did it bring to your mind or leave unanswered?

Specifics:

4. Which of the descriptions of Christ in this passage grabs your affections (your heart, our emotions) the most? What causes you to be more endeared to Him (particularly thankful or worshipful)?
5. Why is it important the Jesus be fully human as well as divine?
6. What practical effect does his humanity have on you?
7. Think of an example in your own life where humiliation led to exaltation.
8. Talk about how suffering and temptations are qualifiers for helping others. Who do you want to talk to when you are going through trials and testings? In what ways have your trials and temptations equipped you to comfort and support others?
9. Describe how Jesus has come to your aid in temptation or trials.
10. In what ways is Jesus the beginning, middle and end of our salvation?  
(Hint: He is the author, sustainer in the middle through temptations and sins, and is the one who delivers us from the fear of death at the end)

Rabbit trail of the week: Were Jesus' temptations real? I.e. was it possible for Him to sin?