

Jesus the Messiah...

The letter to the

Hebrews

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Foreword

The book of Hebrews stands in a rather interesting place in the New Testament. It is a remarkably rich book, presenting Jesus as the messiah to those who were eagerly looking for him.

No other book has received so much attention in regards to its authorship. Unlike most of the books of the New Testament, the author does not reveal his identity, and there are many arguments for and against different possible authors.

As we undertake this study of Hebrews, we will learn about Jesus, His credentials as the Messiah, and the exalted position that He has in God's plan. Importantly, we will learn about His fulfilment of the Old Testament Law and patterns.

Throughout the studies, I have mostly quoted from the New International Version (NIV), and have attributed the quotations accordingly. Occasionally, I have used the New King James Version (NKJV) and sometimes used a word or two from the King James Version (KJV) where that version (in my opinion) better describes the point the author is trying to get across. On occasions where quotations appear that are not referenced, they are my paraphrase of what the verse says, and may or may not bear similarity to recognized translations.

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My prayer is that those who use this material will find it exciting, edifying, encouraging, and relevant to our present situation as together we consider Jesus, God's Messiah, and His relevance to our walk with God and our daily struggles to live the christian life.

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