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## STUDY GUIDE WEEK 31

July 30

HEBREWS 1-4

1. How does the writer of Hebrews describe Jesus in relation to angels in Hebrews 1?

2. What is the rest that the writer of Hebrews refers to in Hebrews 4?

3. Who is compared to Jesus in Hebrews 3, and why is Jesus considered superior?

4. What word is described as living and active in Hebrews 4?

*Discussion Question: Discuss the significance of Jesus' supremacy and our faith response as highlighted in Hebrews 1-4.*



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# July 31

## HEBREWS 5-7

1. According to Hebrews 5, who appointed Jesus as high priest?

2. Who is Melchizedek as referred to in Hebrews 7?

3. What warning is given to the readers about "falling away" in Hebrews 6?

4. What makes Jesus' priesthood superior according to Hebrews 7?

*Discussion Question: Discuss the role of Jesus as our high priest and the implications of this for our faith, based on the teachings of Hebrews 5-7.*

# August 1

## HEBREWS 8-10

1. In Hebrews 8, what is superior about the covenant that Jesus mediates?

2. What does the writer of Hebrews refer to when he uses the term "shadow" in Hebrews 10?

3. In Hebrews 9, how often does Christ offer himself as a sacrifice and why?

4. What does the writer of Hebrews urge believers to do in Hebrews 10:24-25?

*Discussion Question: Discuss the implications of the new covenant and the ultimate sacrifice of Jesus for our faith as taught in Hebrews 8-10.*

# August 2

## HEBREWS 11-13

1. What is the definition of faith given in Hebrews 11?

2. What are some of the examples of faith given in Hebrews 11?

3. According to Hebrews 12, who should we fix our eyes on in our faith journey?

4. What instruction is given regarding hospitality in Hebrews 13?

*Discussion Question: Reflect on the role of faith in our lives and discuss the importance of hospitality and other virtues in light of Hebrews 11-13.*

# August 3

## JAMES 1-3

1. What is the relationship between trials and faith as described in James 1?

2. What does James say about favoritism in chapter 2?

3. What does James 3 say about the tongue?

4. According to James 1, what is "pure and faultless" religion?

*Discussion Question: Discuss the relationship between faith and actions, the dangers of favoritism and uncontrolled speech, as outlined in James 1-3.*

# August 4

JAMES 4-5

1. In James 4, what causes fights and quarrels according to the author?

2. What warning is given to the rich in James 5?

3. What is the result of prayer offered in faith according to James 5?

4. What is said about the power of prayer in James 5:16?

*Discussion Question: Discuss the themes of conflict, wealth, and the power of prayer as outlined in James 4-5.*

# August 5

1 PETER 1-2

1. What living hope is mentioned in 1 Peter 1:3?

2. How are Christians described in 1 Peter 2:9-10?

3. What example does Peter use in 1 Peter 2 to illustrate the believer's relationship to Jesus?

4. What attitude does Peter encourage towards government authorities in 1 Peter 2?

*Discussion Question: Reflect on our identity and calling as Christians, our relationship with Jesus, and our responsibilities towards authorities as outlined in 1 Peter 1-2.*



# The Answers

## JULY 30

1. Jesus is superior to angels because He is the Son of God.
2. A spiritual rest that comes from faith in God, symbolized by the Sabbath.
3. Moses is compared to Jesus, but Jesus is considered superior because He is a Son over God's house, while Moses is a servant within the house.
4. God's Word.

## JULY 31

1. God appointed Jesus as high priest.
2. Melchizedek is a king and priest of Salem, who Abraham paid tithes to. He is used as a type of Christ.
3. The warning is that those who fall away after being enlightened and experiencing the heavenly gifts cannot be brought back to repentance.
4. Jesus' priesthood is superior because it is eternal (He lives forever) and He is able so save completely those who come to God through Him.

## AUGUST 1

1. It is superior because it is established on better promises, including God's law in minds and hearts, a personal relationship with God, and the forgiveness of sins.
2. The term "shadow" refers to the Old Testament laws which are a mere shadow of the good things to come and not the realities themselves.
3. Christ offered himself once for all time, to take away the sins of many people.
4. The writer urges believers to consider how to spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, but encouraging each other.

## AUGUST 2

1. Faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.
2. Examples include Abel offering a better sacrifice, Noah building an ark, and Abraham leaving his homeland and later offering Isaac.
3. We should fix our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.
4. Believers are urged to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing so some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.

# The Answers

## AUGUST 3

1. Trials test our faith and produce perseverance, making us mature and complete.
2. James warns against showing favoritism, stating that it is incompatible with faith in Jesus.
3. James describes the tongue as a small part of the body that can cause great damage and is very difficult to control.
4. Pure and faultless religion is to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

## AUGUST 4

1. The author suggests that fights and quarrels are caused by desires that battle within us.
2. The rich are warned about hoarding wealth, failing to pay workers fairly, and living in self-indulgence.
3. The prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up.
4. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

## AUGUST 5

1. The living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.
2. They are described as a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession.
3. Peter refers to Jesus as the cornerstone and believers as living stones being built into a spiritual house.
4. Peter encourages respect and submission to every human authority, including kings and governors, for the Lord's sake.

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