

*Hebrews 1 - stresses
The Deity of Christ:*

- the Son of God (1:2,5,8)
- God (1:8)
- LORD (1:10; OT = Jehovah).

*Hebrews 2 - stresses
The Humanity of Christ:*

- Man (2:6)
- the Son of Man (2:6)
- Jesus (2:9)
- Calls us “brethren” (2:11-12, 17)

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• **Acts 7:53** “...you who received ***the law as ordained by angels***, and yet did not keep it.”

• **Gal 3:19** “Why ***the Law*** then? It was added because of transgressions, ***having been ordained through angels*** by the agency of a mediator, until the seed would come to whom the promise had been made.”

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• **Deut 33:2** “...The LORD came from Sinai...and ***He came from the midst of ten thousand holy ones....***”

• **Psalm 68:17** “The chariots of God are myriads, thousands upon thousands; ***the Lord is among them as at Sinai***, in holiness.”

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“It is significant that there is no suggestion of rejection, but only of ***the risk of neglect***. There are many who reject God’s salvation, but there are very many more who neglect it because they find it so easy to drift. ***Someone has well put it in this way: ‘What must I do to be lost? Nothing!’***”

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“Then God said, ‘**Let Us make man in Our image**, according to Our likeness; **and let them rule** over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.’ **God created man in His own image**, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.” Gen 1:26-27

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“...God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and **subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea** and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth.’” Gen 1:28

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“...Cursed is the ground because of you; **in toil you will eat of it** all the days of your life. Both **thorns and thistles it shall grow** for you...**by the sweat of your face you will eat bread** till you return to the ground....” Gen 3:17-19

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II Tim 2:12 “...we will also **reign with Him...**”

Rev 20:6 “Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection ...**they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him** for a thousand years.”

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Phil 2:5-11 "...*Christ Jesus*, Who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but *emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant*, and being made in the likeness of men. Being found in appearance as a man, *He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death*, even death on a cross. For this reason also, *God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name*, so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow...and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

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Propitiation (KJV reconciliation) = *to appease the One offended by covering the cause of His anger*; to reconcile us to God by removing that which separated us from God, our sin.

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Propitiation refers to God's righteous attitude against sin. His justice could not overlook sin and His love could not be indifferent to the sinner, and so ***what His righteousness demanded, His love provided.*** (John 3:16)

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Lessons from Hebrews 2:

1. Beware of the danger of drifting, and of neglect! 2:1-3
2. Don't forget the sacrifice Jesus made in becoming a man to save us! 2:9-ff
3. Rejoice in the rewards that accompany salvation. He calls us His brethren; someday we will rule and reign with Him. 2:11-13
4. Because He became a man, He is able to meet us in our need. 2:18

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