

## **I. INTRODUCTION**

### **A. SUMMARY: PERSEVERE IN FAITH IN JESUS BECAUSE (2:1-4; 3:1f)**

1. He is God over all things (Heb.1:1-4; see Jn.1:1f; Col.1:15f,19; 2:9)
2. He is infinitely superior even to the angels (1:5-2:18; as God and as Man)
3. He is infinitely superior even to Moses (3:1-6; Son over >>>servant in; see 2Cor.3:13; 4:4,6 w/Heb.1:3)

### **B. THE EXCELLENCE OF MOSES (Heb.3:2 (Num.12:7); see Ezr.3:2; Mt.23:1f; Lk.2:22; 5:14; 16:29f; 20:28f; 24:27,44; Jn.5:46; 9:28)**

1. Calling: preeminent, willing, holy steward of Israel (2b,5; Num.12:7; 1Cor.4:2; see Ex.33,34; 40:16,etc.)
2. Purpose: witness to future words (5; 1:1,2; i.e., promise & fulfillment; see c.3-10!; Dt.18:15; Mt.17:5; Jn.1:1f; Lk.24:27,44; Acts 28:23)

## **II. THE EXCELLENT PURPOSE OF MOSES (5; Dt.18:15; see B. above)**

### **A. THE BOOKS OF MOSES**

1. Genesis: the seed of the woman (Gen.3:15; Heb.2:14f)
2. Exodus: the redeemer of God's people (Ex.12:1f; 1Cor.5:7; Heb.1:3; 2:15; 4:8f)
3. Leviticus: the final, effectual atonement (Lev.16; Heb.9,10)
4. Numbers: the unblemished red heifer (Num.19:1f; Heb.9:13,19)
5. Deuteronomy: a prophet like Moses (Dt.18:15; Acts 3:22; 7:37; Mt.17:5; see Mt.5-7; Heb.1:2; 3:1f)

### **B. THE LAW OF MOSES (*moral, ceremonial, judicial*; Jos.8:31; Mal.4:4; Lk.24:4; 1Cor.9:9; Heb.2:2f; 10:28)**

#### **1. HUMILIATION (Heb.2:9a)**

##### **a. Moral Law (prophet; Dt.18:15; Heb.1:1f)**

- 1) promise: perfect righteousness (Ex.20:1f; Dt.5:6f; prologue, "shall/not"; see Eph.2:5f,10)
- 2) fulfillment: passive and active obedience (Heb.4:15; 7:26f; 9:14; etc.; Jn.8:29; Acts 3:14)

##### **b. Ceremonial Law (priest; Heb.1:3; 2:17f; 3:1f; 5:1ff)**

- 1) promise: one priest and one sacrifice (Ex.,Lev.; see Lev.16; Heb.9:6f; see 7:23; 10:4)
- 2) fulfillment: effectual priesthood & sacrifice (Heb.1:3; 2:17; 3:1f; 4:14ff /9:11ff; 10:18f)
  - a) furnishings: light of the world (Jn.8:12), bread of life (Jn.6:3f), fragrant aroma (Eph.5:2); heavenly tabernacle (Heb.9:24)
  - b) sacrifices: sin (debt of sin; Heb.10:18), guilt (dues of righteousness; 2Cor.5:21) → burnt; meal (consecration; Heb.2:11) → peace (reconciliation; Rom.5:21)
  - c) priesthood: not Aaronic (1Sam.2:35; 1:1f; Ps.99:6; Heb.2:17; 3:1f; 9:19f; see Lev.8 (Heb.7:7; Num.27:20); Heb.5:6,etc.)

#### **2. EXALTATION (Heb.2:9b; see 1:5,13)**

##### **a. Judicial Law (king; Heb.1:2,3; 5,13; etc.)**

- 1) promise: seed of woman (Gen.3:15); scepter of Judah (Gen.49:10); star from Jacob (Num.24:17); king of Israel (Dt.17:14f)
- 2) fulfillment: Christ's perfect reign (Heb.1:3,8,13; 2:9; 8:1; 10:12; 12:2; see Lk.1:30; Eph.1:20f; Heb.1:8; Rev.22:16; Jn.1:49)

## **III. HOLD ON TO JESUS BY BELIEVING THE PROMISES OF MOSES!**

(Heb.3:5; 6b,14; 1-6; see Jn.5:39f,46f; Lk.24:27,44)

*Brethren, what shall WE DO?* (see Acts 2:37f)