

## SERMON OUTLINE

In Hebrews 2:14-18 we are shown 5 reasons Jesus died as the incarnate Son of God.

- I. Jesus died so He might destroy the devil with his power over death (v. 14).
- II. Jesus died that He might deliver the children of Abraham enslaved through fear of death (v. 15-16).
- III. Jesus died that He might become a merciful & faithful high priest (v. 17a, b).
- IV. Jesus died that He might make propitiation for sins (v. 17c).
- V. Jesus died that He could help those who are being tempted (v. 18).

## BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP STUDY QUESTIONS

In preparation for Sunday, March 8, 2020

Passage: Hebrews 2:14-18

Memory Passage: Hebrews 2:17-18

### DAY 1 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

### READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Heb. 2:14-18.** In one paragraph, recount what you learned last week in your study of Hebrews 2:10-13.
- (b) How are vs. 14-18 connected to what precedes them? To what follows in chapter 3?
- (c) What are “the same things” of which Jesus partook (v. 14)?
- (d) In what way does the devil “have the power of death?”
- (e) In what ways does Jesus’ death “destroy” the devil (FYI: the Greek word translated “destroy” (v. 14) means “to render powerless or ineffective, abolish, set aside, inactivate”)?

### DAY 2 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

### READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Heb. 2:14-18.** To what were people enslaved (v. 15)?
- (b) How does “fear of death” contribute to that slavery (v. 15)?
- (c) How has Jesus’ death provided deliverance from this lifelong slavery?
- (d) Who are “the offspring of Abraham” to whom this deliverance is granted (v. 16)?

### DAY 3 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

### READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Heb. 2:14-18, John 8:44, Rom. 5:12-21; 6:20-23, 1 Cor. 15:50-57, & 1 John 3:4-10.** As you read each passage, describe what is being said in your own words and explain how it applies to or further elucidates Heb. 2:14-18.
- (b) What are some reasons people might fear death? In what ways have you been enslaved through the fear of death? How should Christians respond to the prospect of physical death given Christ’s death on our behalf?
- (c) In what ways does sin, which leads to death, enslave you today? How does Jesus’ work of destroying/nullifying Satan and his work motivate and empower you to fight your sin?

### DAY 4 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

### READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Heb 2:14-18.** Why was it necessary for Jesus “to be made like his brothers in every respect” in order to “become a merciful and faithful high priest” (cf. 5:1-2)?
- (b) What does “propitiation” mean and how did Jesus’ death accomplish “propitiation for the sins of the people?”
- (c) In what ways is Jesus a merciful high priest? In what ways is Jesus a faithful high priest?
- (d) How does v. 18 help us understand how Jesus was “made perfect through suffering” (2:10)?
- (e) How does being tempted when He suffered (suffered death, cf. 2:9) enable Jesus to “help those who are being tempted?”

### DAY 5 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

### READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Heb. 2:14-18.** Recap what vs. 14-18 taught you about the purposes for which Jesus died.
- (b) In what ways have you been motivated to new obedience to fight sin as a result of your study this week?
- (c) In what ways has your heart been enlivened with love for God during your study this week?
- (d) In what specific ways does Jesus help you when you are tempted? In what ways have you neglected or refused this help, and what will you do this week to better appropriate this grace?

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