



Hebrews Chapter 2 The 2nd Adam

As we move into the book of Hebrews chapter 2 I think it's fair to say that many of us are going to hear some things that may be very different from what we may have heard from today's modern day version of Christianity. The book of Hebrews is a tremendous book to read if you have any questions concerning who our Messiah really is, or where he came from, or where he went.. and it's an extremely important book for every Christian to read especially if you are a Christian who believes in the man made, man created, man fabricated... "Once saved always saved" doctrine".

As we've already seen in the first chapter of the book of Hebrews.. the very theme of the book of Hebrews can be said to come from Psalms 110, and the author of the book of Hebrews clearly upholds what we find in Psalms 110. The clear and concise evidence presented to us in the book of Hebrews should convince even then most staunchest of Trinitarians to stop and think about this Trinitarian doctrine.. and I think that as we progress forward in chapter two.. you will agree with me when I say that the author does not change gears concerning the fact that Yahshua Jesus was indeed.. a man, created by God his Father.

We talked about the several different Hebrew, and Greek words that have all been translated into the English word "Lord". We have the Hebrew word "Adon" that has been translated into the word "Lord".. we have the Hebrew name of God "Yahovah" that has been translated into the word "Lord".. we have the Hebrew word "Adonay" that has been translated into the word Lord, we have the Greek word "Kurios" that has been translated into the word "Lord" and the word "Lord" has been used to address God, Yahshua Jesus, and even David was called "Lord" in 1st Samuel 25:24, and so it's important to understand the different meanings of words like "Lord" and "God" and what these English words are translated from so that we're not so easily misled by our own ignorance when it comes to these kinds of translations.

We also learned last week that it's important to understand that our English speaking Bibles were translated by enlarge by "Trinitarians" who believed in 3 equal Gods all co-equal in power, glory, and per-eminence. And so when they translated our English speaking Bibles they often used words that led credence to what they believed. And so it's important to understand that our English speaking Bibles were translated into English after the formation of the Roman Catholic church and after / or during the Reformation era, and the Trinitarian doctrine was more than well established during this time period.

And I say all of that to say this.. we must always be cautious, and we must always test the scripture, and it's wording through the fire of prayer and supplication, and it's important to take what we read to our prayer closets and ask for the discernment to understand what we're reading, because if we don't.. and we allow ourselves to simply go along with what the wisdom of men tells us... we will most assuredly be lead astray.

Our own Bibles tell us over and over and over again to beware of the wisdom of men who claim to know him.. but do not follow his commandments.. in fact we're told in 1st John 2:4 that if someone says that they know him and they do not keep his commandments.. then that person is a liar.. and the truth is not in them. So as we move into the 2nd chapter of the book of Hebrews, we're going to take our time and examine and cross examine what we find with in these pages so that we're not so easily lead astray by what we may have heard in the past. I would invite us all to listen very closely to what we hear the author of the book of Hebrews tell us. Because if we do.. we.. will gain more wisdom than most of today's modern day professing Christians.. but we must have the eyes to see.. and the ears to hear.

So lets dive into the 2nd chapter of the book of Hebrews and lets see what we can learn from Hebrews 2:1 through 4:

Heb 2:1 Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it.

Heb 2:2 For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable, and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution,

Heb 2:3 how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard,

Heb 2:4 while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

Notice what the author tells us in the very first verse. He says that we need to pay much closer attention to what we have heard... lest we drift away from it. Notice what he says in verse 3.. he says “how shall we escape.. if we neglect such a great salvation”! So according to the author of the book of Hebrews we can indeed drift away from the Salvation that has been offered by our Messiah. If we neglect this salvation.. we can indeed loose what our Messiah has come to give us. This really puts a big dent in the “Once saved always saved” doctrine does it not?

Notice that huge word “if” in verse 3. “If” we neglect such a great salvation! So it should be clear that according to the author.. we can indeed neglect the salvation that we've been given, and if we do neglect that salvation... we surly will not escape the retribution that comes from neglecting it. This little two letter word “If”.. really has a profound effect on whether or not we Christians will make it... let alone the outside world... notice he's talking about we Christians he's not talking about the “World”.. so if we Christians who do believe.. neglect the salvation

that we've been given.. we might end up as the World, and those who don't believe. Listen to what is written in 2nd Peter 2:15 through 22:

2Pe 2:15 Forsaking the right way, they have gone astray. They have followed the way of Balaam, the son of Beor, who loved gain from wrongdoing,

2Pe 2:16 but was rebuked for his own transgression; a speechless donkey spoke with human voice and restrained the prophet's madness.

2Pe 2:17 These are waterless springs and mists driven by a storm. For them the gloom of utter darkness has been reserved.

2Pe 2:18 For, speaking loud boasts of folly, they entice by sensual passions of the flesh those who are barely escaping from those who live in error.

2Pe 2:19 They promise them freedom, but they themselves are slaves of corruption. For whatever overcomes a person, to that he is enslaved.

2Pe 2:20 For if, after they have escaped the defilements of the world through the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and overcome, the last state has become worse for them than the first.

2Pe 2:21 For it would have been better for them never to have known the way of righteousness than after knowing it to turn back from the holy commandment delivered to them.

2Pe 2:22 What the true proverb says has happened to them: "The dog returns to its own vomit, and the sow, after washing herself, returns to wallow in the mire."

For the life of me I can not understand how any Christian who has ever opened the pages of their Bible could ever believe in a "Once saved always saved" doctrine of demons. This single doctrine has done more to lead people away from the truth of Gods Word than almost any other doctrine and yet people fall for it each and every day.. how sad... how wrong... how deceitful.. how shameful.

And the truth of the matter is that some people do believe for a while... they are actually Christians who fall away from grace... and we know that from Luke chapter 8 verses 13 and 14:

Luk 8:13 And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away.

Luk 8:14 And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature.

So the idea that people who fall away never really were Christians simply doesn't hold water. We who are Christians can... and do... fall away and this is exactly what the author of the book of Hebrews is trying to warn us against.. so that we don't neglect, or take for granted the salvation that we've been given.. because if we do, and if we do not run this race to the end holding fast to the grace and the salvation that we've been given... and understand.. and hold fast to, the obedience of faith.. and if we re return like a dog to it's vomit or a pig to it's mire.. to

the things of this world... we will end up being counted along with the World. How important is it for each and every Christian to hear and to understand this message? Once again my friends we're told by our own Messiah in Matthew chapter 24 verse 13 that it is the one who endures to the end that will be saved. And that's another whole lesson in itself.

Moving forward, I want us to pay close attention to what we hear in verses 2 through 4. We're told that the message was declared by angels and proved to be reliable, and it was declared at first by the Lord (speaking of Yahshua Jesus).. so it wasn't first preached by Moses, or the prophets, or anyone else... this message of Salvation was first preached by Yahshua Jesus.. and we're told that God himself also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Ruach Hakodesh.. (the Holy Spirit).

So once again we see a distinct separation between Yahshua Jesus and his Father. The author tells us that Yahshua Jesus declared the message first.. and then God his father bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Ruach Hakodesh. So who did the signs and wonders? Who did the miracles? And who gave the gifts of the Ruach Hakodesh?.. God the Father did these things. This was Yahovah the one true God of Abraham, Issac, and Jacobs way of bearing witness to this message of Salvation that his Son was preaching. And he did these things through not only his Son but also through the Apostles. Remember.. that according to verse 3.. we're talking about this message of "Salvation".. no one else had it.. no one else could deliver it.. it had to be the man Yahshua Jesus and him alone that would bring it.

Lets continue on from verse 5 to verse 10:

Heb 2:5 For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking.

Heb 2:6 It has been testified somewhere, "What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him?"

Heb 2:7 You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor,

Heb 2:8 putting everything in subjection under his feet." Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him.

Heb 2:9 But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

Heb 2:10 For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering.

In verse 5 we're told that it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come of which we are speaking... we must remember that we're told in Galatians chapter 3 verse 19 that the Law was delivered to Moses by angles. But not this time. This time it would be a man who would re-establish the Law, and it would be a man who would defeat sin the way that the first man Adam

could not do. Consider 1st Corinthians 15:21 through 23:

1Co 15:21 For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

1Co 15:22 For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

1Co 15:23 But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.

So once again the author of Hebrews is not really saying anything new is he? Paul himself has already proclaimed Yahshua Jesus to be a man just like Adam.. created, begotten, maganas.. by God. Let there be no mistake about it my friends, who our Messiah was, and is. He was a begotten man just like Adam.. he had to be.. in order to be the Passover Lamb... that ultimate sacrifice... that propitiation.. for the sins of man. God did not sin against man. God had no reason to come down and hang himself on a cross my friends. It was man who sinned against God.. and man who God required a sacrifice from.

And I want us to understand that this was all prophesied about by Daniel in Daniel 7:13 and 14:

Dan 7:13 "I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him.

Dan 7:14 And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

Once again my friends the term "Son of man" is found in the scripture 193 times concerning our Messiah. Does he call himself "God".. no he calls himself "The son of man" and so it should be more than evident that if Yahshua Jesus was not a man.. then the whole Gospel message just falls to pieces.. and this is no doubt the will of our adversary... who is also known as "the god of this world".

And we would do well to remember what God told man to do.. clear back in the book of Genesis 1:28:

Gen 1:28 And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

So this fulfillment of Yahshua Jesus the man being given dominion and glory and a kingdom that is an everlasting dominion over Heaven and earth..that shall not pass away is once again the fulfillment of Genesis 1:28. Man has been elevated not just above the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth... but above the Angels as well.. just as our Messiah has been elevated above the angels. Lets read what Paul tells us in 1st Corinthians 6:2 and 3:

1Co 6:2 Or do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world is to be judged by you, are you incompetent to try trivial cases?

1Co 6:3 Do you not know that we are to judge angels? How much more, then, matters pertaining to this life!

We.. as his brothers and sisters will rule with him in his new Kingdom my friends.. and we will judge angles.. all we have to do is read Revelation 2:26 through 29

Rev 2:26 The one who conquers and who keeps my works until the end, to him I will give authority over the nations,

Rev 2:27 and he will rule them with a rod of iron, as when earthen pots are broken in pieces, even as I myself have received authority from my Father.

Rev 2:28 And I will give him the morning star.

Rev 2:29 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'

And again we're told in verse 5 that it's not for angles that God subjected the world to come.. and this is important to understand because the Johova's Witness believe that Yahshua Jesus is actually Michael the "Ark Angle".

Now.. I want us to think about this for just a moment.. if the author of the book of Hebrews wanted to tell us that Jesus was an Angel, or if he wanted to tell us that Jesus was God.. he could have done that with three simple words couldn't he? He could have simply said.. "Jesus is God" or "Jesus is an Angle" but he doesn't say any of that does he? He tells us very clearly that Yahshua Jesus our Messiah was a man, and that he had to be a man, in order to be the propitiation for our sin. This idea of Yahshua Jesus being God the Father, or being equal with God his Father, or being an Angle of some kind is of course not found anywhere in the scriptures but then again.. neither is much of what we hear from today's modern day denominational charters of men.. so we shouldn't be surprised.. and this should give us pause to stop and think about what we've heard coming from today's weighed and wanting pulpits. And this is why it's so important to study to show ourselves approved my friends. Read... study... pray.. and then read and study some more.. ask seek and knock.. and the door will be opened to those who seek him.

Yahshua Jesus was a flesh and bone man.. he was a human being just like you and I and the author of the book of Hebrews makes no mistake about it my friends.. listen to what he says in verses 7 through 10:

Heb 2:7 You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor,

Heb 2:8 putting everything in subjection under his feet." Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in

subjection to him.

Heb 2:9 But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

Heb 2:10 For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering.

The author says and I quote “You made him for a little while lower than the angels”. Again God the Father had “made.. begotten.. maganas” Yahshua Jesus lower than the angels, and he crowned him with glory and honor putting everything in subjection under his feet. Who made Yahshua Jesus lower than the angles.. who crowned Yahshua Jesus with glory and honor.. who put everything in subjection under his feet?... Yahovah the one true God of Abraham, Issac, and Jacob did these things for his Son Yahshua Jesus. Notice my friends once again.. that Yahshua Jesus did not have the power to crown himself with glory and honor.. he did not have the power to put everything under his own feet, or to give himself control of all things, nor did he already have control over all things.

Yahshua Jesus was lower than the Angels.. he was made that way by God his Father. Think about it for just a moment my friends.. can God be lower than the Angles my friends.. can he who created the Angles be lower than the Angles that he created? And why my friends was Yahshua crowned with glory and honor? The author very clearly and concisely tells us.. that he was crowned with glory and with honor and I quote from verse 9.. “because of the suffering of death.. so that by the grace of God the Father.. he might taste death for everyone”. This my friends.. is why Yahshua Jesus was crowned with glory and honor. We need not guess or wonder why God the Father gave him the glory and the honor and the authority that he has. We're told very clearly why his Father gave him these things.

And if we remember from chapter one.. we're told that Yahshua was elevated above the Angels, because of the name that he inherited from his Father.. because of the work he had done at the cross. And we once again hear from the author of the book of Hebrews where Yahshua Jesus received his power and glory, and his authority so, over and over and over again the author wastes no time getting right down to the point. Yahshua Jesus was made a human man.. lower than the angels.. and was lifted up and elevated by his Father.. because of the suffering that he endured at the cross for all mankind.

Another thing that I want us to notice here is the “Past Tense” that the author uses. God has already “given” Yahshua the glory, and dominion, and authority.. he “gave” it to him, he already “Has” subjected all things under his feet.. past tense..... which reminds me of John 17:5 where Yahshua Jesus says “And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed”. And everyone believes that he was per-existant when they read these words not understanding the tenses being used here or what the “glory” is... that Yahshua Jesus is even talking about.

This same salvation that has been given to you and me was given to us before we were born! Before we were ever even born the salvation that we've been promised.. was already promised to us because of what our Messiah did over two thousand years ago.. we had it before we ever even existed, just like Yahshua Jesus had that glory before he even existed. It was already per-ordained by God to be from the beginning.. and both men and angels knew that God the Father was going to give that glory to his Son. It was written about clear back in the book of Genesis, and all through out the Pentateuch, Torah, and the writings of the Prophets.

But you see people simply believe what they want to believe and they will believe what ever their denominational charters of men tell them to believe.. instead of reading and praying, and studying, and asking and seeking and knocking for the discernment that can only come from him and from him alone. It's just like this glory that we now have... but just as we're told in verse 8.. we don't yet see all these things that are subjected under his feet.. but we will. We must remember that God selected Paul before he was born, and we can find that in Galatians 1:15 and 16:

Gal 1:15 But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and who called me by his grace,

Gal 1:16 was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with anyone;

So when we read these past, present, and future tenses we need to be mindful of what's being said, and what's being spoken about. Paul.. a man.. was set apart before he was born. Yahshua Jesus.. a man.. had the glory of God before he was born.. just as we all had salvation through our Messiah, and Abraham before we were born. Before we were born it was already per-ordained by our Messiah and his Father that all men will be given salvation through the blood of Yahshua Hamashiach Jesus the Christ. All we have to do after being born is accept it. It's been freely given to us before we were ever begotten. The question is simply will we accept it.. will we choose the obedience of faith.. the gift is free and it's already been given to us.. we had it before we were even born... but we must reach out and make the choice to take hold of it.. and to pick up our crosses.. and follow him.

Lets go back over verses 10 through 18 so that we can clarify these things:

Heb 2:10 For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering.

Heb 2:11 For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one source. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers,

Heb 2:12 saying, "I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise."

Heb 2:13 And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again, "Behold, I and the children God

has given me."

Heb 2:14 Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil,

Heb 2:15 and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.

Heb 2:16 For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham.

Heb 2:17 Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.

Heb 2:18 For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

It's important to understand when we read verse 18, and we see how Yahshua Jesus was tempted.. that God can not be tempted according to James 1:13:

Jas 1:13 Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one.

Jas 1:14 But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire.

Once again my friends.. Yahshua Jesus is not God the Father... he is he Son of the Father. Let us not be fooled by the wisdom of today's modern day version of Christianity and her so called.. "Early Church Fathers". Let God be true.. and every man a liar.

In verse 10 we're told that God saw it fitting to make the founder of our salvation perfect through suffering. That founder was Yahshua Jesus the Son of God. And we're told that he who sanctifies.. and those who are sanctified all have one source. Who is that "one source" that Yahshua and we all have? It is God the Father.. God.. the one true God of Abraham, Issac, and Jacob..he is the "Once Source" that we all have. Listen to the red letter words of our own Messiah found in

Joh 14:18 "I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.

Joh 14:19 Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live.

Joh 14:20 In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.

Joh 14:21 Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

Notice what he says in verse 20 "In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.". And this is why our Messiah is not ashamed to call us brothers.

GO BACK TO HEBREWS CHAPTER 2:

Now I want us to notice in Hebrews 2:11.. that our Messiah is not ashamed to call us brothers... so in order for him to be a "brother" he would have to be a human man.. not an angel.. not God the Father.. not some spirit being or angle man.. he calls us "brothers" because he himself was a man just as we are men and women, and God the Father is both his Father and our Father. Lets read John 20:17:

Joh 20:17 Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

And Yahshua tells his Father that he will tell the name of his Father to us... his brothers.. in the midst of the congregation. So once again my friends.. Yahshua says that he will tell us his Fathers name.. and I for one am looking forward to hearing it after all of the arguing and bickering over whether it's Yahovah, or Yahwey, or Yahooah, and so on and so forth. We will finally know the proper name and pronounciation of the name.. of the one true God of Abraham, Issac, and Jacob and we will hear it directly from the mouth of our Messiah his only begotten Son.. and so we will know that it's right and correct.

In verse 13 Yahshua says he will put his trust in him.. (his Father) both he and the children that God has given him.

Notice in verse 14 we're told that because we share in flesh and blood.. Yahshua himself partook of the same things... so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death.. the devil so that he could deliver we.. who through the fear of death were subjected to lifelong slavery.

Those with out faith my friends still fear death.. because they don't believe that there's anything else beyond this life. And because they fear death.. they have become slaves to the things of this world. They keep trying to live forever.. they keep trying to outsmart God.. they keep trying to have as much sex, drugs, and rock and roll as they possibly can because for them.. this is all there is... and then you die. He has enslaved them.. through the fear of death.. and they don't even know it.

No wonder why so many commit suicide from depression.. no wonder why so many turn to drugs and alcohol to escape the chains of bondage that they wear each and every day.. no wonder why the love of so many has grown cold. For them.. this is it. This world.. this life.. this moment.. this circus.. is all they have. They preform under the big top for the ring master every day.. day after day running in circles in the dark, never even reaching for the light.

Many of them never reach for the light because they're so comfortable sitting there in their own sin.. sitting there in their own jail cell.. so comfortable in their own sin that the devil knows he

doesn't even have to shut and lock the jail cell door.. because he knows they'll never leave. They'll never even think to reach for the light.. he's keeping them so busy with their silver and gold, and their shinny new toys, and the things of this world.. that they'll never even know what their missing.

And I might add my friends.. that with faith comes obedience and this is something that today's modern day Christian church has long forgotten. We would do well to remember the very words of our Messiah found in John 14:15 through 17:

Joh 14:15 "If you love me, you will keep my commandments.

Joh 14:16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever,

Joh 14:17 even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

Also found in Hebrew chapter 5 is a scripture that every Christian should have highlighted in their Bibles. Lets turn to Hebrews chapter 5 verse 9:

Heb 5:9 And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him,

We need to be very clear to anyone who may choose to be a Christian.. that with out obedience.. there is no salvation. The very idea that someone can live like the devil all week long and then come to church on the wrong day of the week and listen to some guy they hardly know preach out of the back half of the book for 45 minutes while programming them not to read the first half of the book because there so called "Early Church Fathers" claim it's all nailed to some tree somewhere... is going to do nothing but get people killed.

With out the obedience of faith we're finished.. and if you don't know what the obedience of faith is.. you need to go to your prayer closet and you need to ask him to show you.. and you need to pick up that dusty old Bible off of that night stand or book shelf that it's been sitting on... and you need to read it for yourself... it's a love letter that he left for you... have you read it yet?.... because if you haven't... you should..... and for more information on the obedience of faith you can visit us at HolyImpactMinistries.com and let us minister to you, and put some truth in your hearing. We'll be glad to give you some free information to take to your prayer closet and test through the fire of prayer.

I often wonder my friends.. if we truly do understand what we're up against, and why Paul tells us that this is a spiritual war that we are in against principalities in high places?

Yahshua Jesus our Messiah the only begotten Son of God was made like us.. his brothers in every respect.. he was a man.. made lower than the angels... a flesh and bone man with his own

mind, and his own thoughts, and his own decisions, and choices to make. And he chose to be that propitiation for the sins of his brothers and sisters. He chose to be that Passover Lamb.. the Firstfruits of the new harvest. He chose to allow them to beat him, and to crush that crown of thorns down upon his head... and to pull his beard from his face, and to cast lots for his cloths and to humiliate him, and to finally hang him on that cross for the world to see while they mocked him and scourged him from down below. And the blood that ran down that old rugged cross and pooled on the ground beneath. was for you and me my friends. And the fruit of the vine that we partake of each Passover reminds us of the sacrifices that he made not just for us... but for our children and our childrens children... not just so that we could have everlasting life... but so that we could have it more abundantly.

Because he himself experienced temptation and suffering.. and because he himself conquered temptation and suffering.. he is able to help those who are being tempted... and those who are indeed suffering.

I want us to also know and understand that Yahshua our Messiah is our “High Priest” in the service to God the Father according to verse 17. With that being said it's important to know and understand that only a man can be a “High Priest” according to Hebrews 5:1:

Heb 5:1 For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins.

This again fits hand in glove with Psalms 110 verse 4:

Psa 110:4 The LORD has sworn and will not change his mind, "You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek."

So once again the author of the book of Hebrews falls directly in line with Psalms 110.

Once again my friends the Apostle Paul really nails it down tight when we hear what he proclaims in 1st Timothy 2:5 and 6:

1Ti 2:5 For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus,

1Ti 2:6 who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time.

He.. Yahshua Hamashiach... Jesus the Christ.. who was a man like Adam... did what Adam could not do. He... who was a greater prophet than even the man Moses... did what even the man Moses could not do. He.. Yahshua Jesus the man.. the Son of man.. is indeed the only begotten Son of the one true God of Abraham, Issac, and Jacob! He grew in wisdom and stature before both God and man.. he wept.. he prayed.. he fought.. and he struggled with human temptation and suffering. He felt pain and remorse... he had emotions... he sweat... and he bled.

He was born a human child.. and died a human man. He left nothing on the table. And I think it only fitting to close out this chapter with Philippians 2:9 through 13:

Php 2:9 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name,

Php 2:10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

Php 2:11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Php 2:12 Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling,

Php 2:13 for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

