

Book 58: Hebrews

"[God] has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom He also made the worlds."

- Hebrews 1:2

- The Letter to the Hebrews was written by an anonymous author to an unspecified group of Jewish believers in the early days of the church.
- Its spiritual depth makes it central to our understanding of the person and position of Christ.
- John Owen, a puritan preacher, spent 16 years writing an eight volume commentary on Hebrews.
- William Gouge, an 18th century London pastor, spent 33 of his 45 years of ministry preaching his way through this book.
- The **key word** in the letter to the Hebrews is "better". In Christ we have all this and more:
 - A Better Hope 7:19
 - A Better Covenant 7:22
 - Better Promises 8:6
 - A Better Sacrifice 9:23
 - A Better Possession 10:34
- Some **key verses** in Hebrews are:
 - 4:4-16 regarding Jesus our Great High Priest.
 - 6:9-12 on God's memory and our need for diligence
 - 8:7-13 The New Covenant
 - 12:1-2 about looking unto Jesus
- The **key chapter** in Hebrews is Chapter 11. As we read this:
 - Try to count the Old Testament heroes that you recognize.
 - What impresses you about how each one acted upon their faith?
 - How is our faith similar to or different from theirs?