

**The Book Of Hebrews**  
**Chapter 4 verses 9 to 16 – Pastor Charles A. Hall – April 7<sup>th</sup> 2022**

**Chapter 4** continues to build on the theme of exhortation, and provides more factual information that support Jesus' ministry as being better than that of Moses and of Joshua. This chapter further introduces and explain Jesus' position as the High Priest.

9. There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God.

- Joshua's ministry did not bring the Israelites to a day of sabbath rest (the observance of a day of rest and worship), only through the ministry of Jesus Christ the Son of God can we enter into divine rest. Only through the Great High Priest, who has come from heaven and identified with man in his weakness, can we boldly come before the throne of grace.

10. For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his.

- Since there is a day of sabbath rest, let us therefore cease from our own works, as God did, unless we become disobedient from a lack of faith, then not being allowed to enter into divine rest.

11. Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.

- As believers of God, we should make every effort and sacrifice to enter into divine rest, to keep from falling prey to unbelief.

- **2Peter 1:10**

12. For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

- The word of God gives us continuous confirmation that God is closely examining our life, through His word. His word is alive, and active, and is powerful. It is the only thing that can reach into the innermost part of man, beyond any human barrier. The word of God can penetrate beneath flesh and bones, and can divide the soul and the spirit of man to distinguish and judge even the thoughts and the intent of his heart.

13. Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.

- All of God's creation is fully revealed before His sight, all of His creation is naked and completely visible to Him who created everything, and to Him whom all of creation will stand before and give an account.

14. Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.

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- We should be motivated to do all we can to show ourselves acceptable and approved by God, since we have a High Priest who has ascended back into heaven, who is the Son of God, we should also hold firm our profession of faith in Him.

15. For we have not a high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

- For we have a High Priest who made Himself human just like us, so He could understand all our weaknesses, and was tempted in the same manner that we are tempted, but yet He did not sin, thus He is our example of righteous living.

- **Isaiah 53:3-5**

16. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

- Having a healthy understanding of who Jesus Christ is, and what he has done for us, and is still doing on our behalf, we should be eager to come before His throne of grace without wavering, or doubting, seeking His mercy to help us during our time of need.
- Ephesians 2:18