

The Book Of Hebrews

Chapter 3 verse 1- 6 - Pastor Charles A. Hall – February 24, 2022

In **chapter 3** the author continues to build on the theme that Jesus is better than Moses based on his position as the Son of God. Therefore, He is referred to as our Apostle and High Priest. This chapter also uses references from the old testament that point to the wandering of the Israelites as a result of their disobedience and lack of trust in God, as a result God refused to allow them to enter the promised land.

1. Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus;

The author of Hebrews is stating in this verse the superiority of the ministry of Jesus Christ, as compared to Moses' ministry without discounting the call of God on Moses life and ministry. Jesus' ministry was commissioned directly by God himself, not through the agent of angels, thus the author calls Jesus the Apostle and the High Priest of the Christian faith, which reaffirms His superior ministry. As the Apostle it represent the superiority of His commission and as High Priest He is our direct intercessor with God.

2. Who was faithful to him that appointed him, as also Moses was faithful in all his house.

The author points out in verse 2 that both Jesus and Moses were both faithful to God in their individual ministries.

3. For this man was counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as he who hath builded the house hath more honour than the house.

The superiority of Jesus' ministry is not based on the faithfulness of His call, since both Moses and Jesus were both faithful, but rather by His position, Jesus Christ is the one who built the house, and Moses is part of the house that Jesus Built, and a faithful servant in the house. Jesus Christ is the Son of God the Father, and the builder of His own house; His house is the same as God's house. It is known in Ephesians 2:19 as the household of God, and in Galatians 6:10 as the household of Faith. The house that is being referenced includes all believers of all times.

- **Ephesians 2:19** and **Galatians 6:10**

4. For every house is builded by some man; but he that built all things is God.

Although God can use or work through man to build a spiritual house, the house and all things belong to God. **Ephesians 2:10**

5. And Moses verily was faithful in all his house, as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after;

Moses was faithful in all his house as a servant, and his faithfulness was for the sake of demonstrating the superiority of the faithfulness of Jesus Christ as the Son of God. **Number 12:7**

6. But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end.

Christ as the Son over His own house of which Moses was just a part of, shows the superiority of Christ's ministry, which was to bring the gospel to all that were under condemnation. Considering all of the above the author asked the readers of Hebrews, whom house are you, or more simply, to whom to you belong?