

**The Book of Hebrews  
Session Three  
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**Chapter Three:**

**Verse 1 – “holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling” – addressed to born-again ones of a Hebrew background. “Apostle” – a sent one, messenger. “profession” – confession. Romans 10:9 & 10.**

**Verse 2 – Jesus Christ’s faithfulness is compared to that of Moses. Moses was the great, venerated one, the Lawgiver of the Hebrews. Numbers 12:7, 8.**

**Verse 3 – Jesus Christ Superior to Moses!**

**Verses 5 & 6 – “ a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after” – Moses pointed toward something greater to come. Moses a servant; Jesus Christ a son.**

**The Pivotal Point in Israel’s History: The Exodus into the Promised Land**

**Verses 7-11 – quoted from Psalm 95:7-11. Events at Kadesh-Barnea – Numbers chapters 13 & 14; 32:8-13; Deuteronomy 1:19-46; 9:23, 24. Moses not to lead the next generation – Numbers 20:7-13. “My rest” refers to the Promised Land.**

**Verses 12-18 – God’s people did not receive the promised blessings because of unbelief. Verse 16 – “not all” referring to Joshua and Caleb.**

**Chapter Four:**

**Verse 1 – “His rest” – what God has provided through the accomplishments of His son.**

**Verse 2 – the Word must be mixed with believing to become profitable. *Pistis* used 32x’s in Hebrews.**

**Verse 4 – “Rest” referring to Genesis 2:2,3. It was finished, a completed work. “Rest” used 3 different ways: 1) God in the beginning, 2) the Promised Land and 3) the finished work of Jesus Christ.**

**Verse 8 – “Jesus” refers to Joshua. Jesus Christ Superior to Joshua!**

**Verse 9 – What Jesus Christ has accomplished and provided for the believer.**

**Verse 10 – not of works, but by His grace.**

**Verse 11 – “labor” having ceased from works?**

**Verse 12 – Work the Word of God concerning the accomplishments of Jesus Christ!**

Verses 14 - Jesus Christ Our High Priest passed “through” the heavens. “Profession” – confession (3:1)

Verse 15 - Jesus Christ went through anything and every thing any human being will ever go through and believed God perfectly. He proved the Word of God works in every situation. Jesus Christ is the complete savior.

Verse 16 – “Let us ... come ... unto” –*proserkomai* – approach. Used 7x’s in Hebrews – here, 7:25, 10:1, 10:22, 11:6, 12:18 & 22. Jesus Christ is our approach offering. “boldly” – *parrhesia* – the right to make one’s thoughts known, to say what one will. It is a citizen’s privilege, the sign of his political liberty ... the citizen has the right to express his opinions freely. We are citizens of heaven (Philippians 3:20).

Consider reading Jesus Christ Our Approach Offering by David Bergey, especially Chapter 4 and Appendix 1.