

THE BOOK OF
HEBREWS

JESUS IS GREATER

WHY JESUS IS WORTHY OF YOUR FAITH

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[13] Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account. [14] Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. [15] For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are--yet was without sin. [16] Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

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Revelation 20:11-12 (NIV) ^[11] Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. Earth and sky fled from his presence, and there was no place for them. ^[12] And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books.

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1. He saw the decisions you have made.

Proverbs 15:3 (NIV) ^[3] The eyes of the LORD are everywhere, keeping watch on the wicked and the good.

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2. He saw the things that were not under your control.

Psalms 139:2-3 (NIV) ^[2] You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.

^[3] You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.

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3. He saw the Trials you have faced.

Psalm 139:11-12 (NIV) ^[11] If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me," ^[12] even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.

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4. He saw your Tears

Psalm 56:8 (NIV) ^[8] Record my lament; list my tears on your scroll-- are they not in your record?

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Psalms 32:8 (NIV) ^[8] I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you.

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Romans 8:28 (NIV) ^[28] And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

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Genesis 50:20 (NIV) ^[20] You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.

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Proverbs 5:21 (NIV) ^[21] For a man's ways are in full view of the LORD, and he examines all his paths.

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Psalms 139:16 (NIV) ^[16] your eyes saw my unformed body. All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.

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Hebrews 12:2 (NIV) ^[2] Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith...

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Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV) ^[5] Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;
^[6] in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.

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Hebrews 4:15 (NIV) ^[15] For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are--yet was without sin.

A. He Feels Our Pain

1. He Understands Rejection

John 6:66-71 (NIV) ^[66] From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him.

^[67] "You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve. ^[68] Simon Peter answered him,

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"Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. ^[69] We believe and know that you are the Holy One of God." ^[70] Then Jesus replied, "Have I not chosen you, the Twelve? Yet one of you is a devil!"

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^[71] (He meant Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, who, though one of the Twelve, was later to betray him.)

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2. He Understands Grief

John 11:33 (NIV) ^[33] When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled.

John 11:35 (NIV) ^[35] Jesus wept.

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3. He Understands Loneliness

Matthew 26:31 (NIV) ^[31] Then Jesus told them, "This very night you will all fall away on account of me, for it is written: "'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'

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B. He Is Familiar With Our Problems

1. He Understands Temptation

Matthew 4:1 (NIV) ^[1] Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil.

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B. He Is Familiar With Our Problems

2. He Understands Poverty And Need

Matthew 8:20 (NIV) ^[20] Jesus replied, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head."

III. HE HAS THE ABILITY TO SOLVE YOUR PROBLEMS v. 16

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1 Peter 5:7 (NIV) ^[7] Cast all our anxiety on him because he cares for us.

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Philippians 4:6-7 (NIV) ^[6] Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

^[7] And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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