

JESUS, A FIRM AND SECURE ANCHOR

Hebrews 5:1 - 6:20

Key Verse 6:19

* Jesus, the source of eternal salvation (5:1-10)

1. What were the qualifications and duties of high priests in Israel's sacrificial system? (1-3; Num 29:7-11; Ex 28:1,2) In what respect is Jesus' priesthood similar to and different from Aaronic priesthood? (4-6; 4:15; Jn 14:6) How did Jesus become the source of salvation? (7-10; Rom 8:17,18) What are the superiorities of Jesus' priesthood?

* Jesus, a firm and secure anchor (5:11 - 6:20)

2. What was the spiritual condition of the Jewish Christians and why? (11,12) What are the differences between "infant" and "mature" (13,14) Why have they remained like an infant despite their life of faith for many years? What does „solid food“ mean? (Mk 8:34) What effect does „solid food“ have in our life of faith? (Lev 10:11)
3. How does the author exhort the Jewish Christians? (6:1-3) What does it mean to move forward to maturity? (Eph 4:13,14) Which serious warnings does he give those who have fallen away? (4-8; Mt 7:19,20) How and why did he encourage the Jewish Christians, who were under trials? (9-12; Phil 1:6; Prov 19:15; Rom 12:11) What kind of life principles were they to learn through Abraham's example? (13-15)
4. Why did God confirm his promise with two unchangeable things? (16-18) What is "the hope set before us"? Why can this hope set before us be an anchor for our soul? How did Jesus fulfill this hope? (19,20)