

WONDER

CHRISTMAS AT WOODSIDE BIBLE

DISCUSSION GUIDE

DISCUSSION GOAL

To “wonder” at Jesus Christ as the highest and best, in all things, in all ways. Then to wonder if we acknowledge that reality in our lives in all things, in all ways.

ICE BREAKER

Have you ever invested in something that didn't deliver what it promised? Think about “as seen on TV” or Temu products, the stock market, or a recent fast food marketing campaign for example.

TEXT

Have a member of your group read the passage aloud.

Hebrews 1:1-4

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, ² but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. ³ He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴ having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

MESSAGE OUTLINE

This is what our pastoral team observed about the passage.

Big Idea: Wonder at the supremacy of Christ.

Key Question: Why is Jesus supreme?

1. His word is supreme. (vv. 1-2)
2. His worth is supreme. (v. 3)
3. His work is supreme. (vv. 3-4)

DISCUSSION

- Hebrews 1 opens by ascribing immense worth and power to Jesus. Where and when have you recently experienced a sense of wonder that pointed you to Jesus? What lead you to Jesus over other worldly things?
- Jesus' word is supreme because it is the word of God (vv. 1-2). What is one aspect of Jesus' life or teaching that has impacted you most in this season?
- In last week's guide we discussed how our generosity reflects our priorities. This week, we want to dig a little deeper and ask how our priorities reflect what our heart truly values. If you were to evaluate how you spend your time, does your life reflect one that places immense worth/value on Jesus? Why/why not?
- The predominant theme of the book of Hebrews shows how the Old Testament religious system and law is fulfilled by Jesus. In John 10 (and throughout the Gospels), Jesus says "the works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me...I and the Father are one." Are you trusting in the finished work of Christ on the cross or are you trying to gain righteousness some other way? How's it going?
- How does remembering the supremacy of Jesus' Word, Worth, and Work reorder your priorities and reshape how you approach the Christmas season?

LIFE APPLICATION

As we look through the first two chapters of the book of Hebrews in coming weeks, you'll be consistently invited to wonder at the life, death, resurrection and ministry of Jesus. As a group, discuss what steps you can take together to be accountable to one another to keep Jesus at the center of your lives, families, gatherings, etc. throughout the month of December.

Jot your ideas below and send a picture to your group to remind everyone of your action steps this week.

PRAYER REQUESTS


