

Hebrews 3:1-6

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Therefore, holy brothers [and sisters], you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, ²who was faithful to him who appointed him,...

“Therefore,” points back to

- 1) The possibility of drifting away from what is truly important, which is Jesus. The way we guard against drifting away from Jesus is to stay focused on Him. To ... *“pay much closer attention”* to Jesus. [2:1]
- 2) There is nothing greater than Jesus. [2:5-9]
- 3) Jesus is our only hope for salvation [2:3]
- 4) Salvation and sanctification (being set apart by Jesus to become increasingly more like Him), go together. [2:10-11]
- 5) Jesus claims Christians as His brothers and sisters in the throne room of God. [2:11-13]

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Identity and Purpose

Identity

Who am I, and who decides that?

What story am I a part of?

Who do I belong with?

What commitments do I need to make?

What will I take a stand for?

Identity

Who am I, and who decides that?

Jesus decides.

If you are a Christian, you are someone who belongs to and has been set apart by Jesus.

Identity

What story am I a part of?

The greatest story of all, the story of the glory of Jesus.

Identity

Who do I belong with?

The Church, Jesus' family.

Identity

What commitments do I need to make?

Whatever it takes to remain faithful to Jesus, His family, and the work He does in and through that family.

Identity

What will I take a stand for?

The glory of Jesus Christ.

Purpose

What does the good life look like?

What does an ideal life look like?

The purpose we pursue is determined by
how we answer these questions.

The purpose we encourage others to pursue
is determined by how we answer these questions.

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Purpose

What does the good life look like?

What does an ideal life look like?

The purpose of a Christian's life is to fulfill our "heavenly calling" of faithful love and faithful obedience to Jesus.

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Therefore, holy brothers [and sisters], you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus... (ESV)

"fix your thoughts on Jesus" (NIV)

"think carefully about this Jesus" (NLT)

"take a good hard look at Jesus" (Message)

"to direct one's whole mind to an object,"

"To immerse oneself in thought about something"

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Hebrews 3:2b-4

just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. ³For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. ⁴(For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.)

Psalm 139:13-16

For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. ¹⁴I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. ¹⁵My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. ¹⁶Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.

Hebrews 3:5

Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant,
to testify to the things that were to be spoken later,

Numbers 12:6-8a

And he [God] said, "Hear my words: If there is a prophet among you, I the LORD make myself known to him in a vision; I speak with him in a dream. ⁷Not so with my servant Moses. *He is faithful in all my house.* ⁸With him I speak mouth to mouth, [face to face] clearly, and not in riddles, and he beholds the form of the LORD."

Hebrews 3:6

but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son.
And we are his house, if indeed we hold fast our
confidence and our boasting in our hope.

