

THE RECOVERY OF MAN'S LOST DOMINION  
(Hebrews 2:5-9)

- I. Man's Destiny REVEALED by GOD (Heb. 2:5-8b)
  - A. The outlook is for the "WORLD to COME"
    - 1. It will not be RULED by ANGELS (2:5)
    - 2. It will be RULED by MAN (2:8)
  - B. It is CONTRASTED with the WORLD we KNOW
    - 1. Man seems UNLIKELY to attract God's ATTENTION
    - 2. Man seems UNWORTHY of God's BENEFITS
  - C. Man is now LOWER than the ANGELS
    - 1. That was not man's ORIGINAL status
    - 2. It will not be man's PERMANENT status
  - D. Man will be RESTORED to his place of DOMINION
    - 1. God will CROWN man with GLORY and HONOR
    - 2. God has APPOINTED man to SUPREMACY over all CREATION
    - 3. God will restore man's AUTHORITY over "ALL THINGS"
- II. Man's Destiny RUINED by SIN (Heb. 2:8c)
  - A. Adam's sin brought the CURSE upon CREATION (Gen. 3:16-19)

1. For women: great PAIN in CHILDBIRTH and made SUBORDINATE to a husband
  2. For men: HARD work required to SURVIVE and PROVIDE for a FAMILY
  3. For both: eventual and inevitable DEATH
- B. Adam's sin FORFEITED man's DOMINION
1. The TEMPTER became the RULER (1 John 5:19)
  2. Man became SLAVES to SIN and SATAN
- III. Man's Destiny RECOVERED by JESUS (Heb. 2:9)
- A. Jesus had to BECOME a MAN
- B. Jesus had to EXPERIENCE DEATH for MANKIND
- C. Jesus provided a SALVATION we DARE NOT ignore (2:1-4)
1. This guarantees the ultimate REMOVAL of the CURSE
  2. This provides for an individual's RESTORATION to DOMINION
- IV. Even in His incarnation, Jesus is SUPERIOR to ANGELS