



THANK GOD FOR JESUS, THE WORD

Hebrews 1 and 2

I am thankful for sight and hearing, for taste and smell, for an active body to carry me about and for a mind with which to think. But increasingly each day, I am thankful for speech, for the simple skills of reading and writing, for energy to express myself through action. What joy the senses, what use the body, what value the mind, if I cannot share life with others? Thank God for the power to communicate!

Did you ever try to talk with someone who did not understand you? It is difficult to share fellowship with those who do not speak your language. Youth and age, labour and management, cannot be harmonious unless they learn "to speak one another's language."

God created man for fellowship. Sin broke that fellowship. Not only did it deaden man's heart to the voice of God, but it blinded his eye to the presence of God. Man neither understood nor saw His Maker. God and man did not "speak one another's language." And so God began the long and difficult task of re-establishing fellowship, of making Himself known to His creation.

God, unseen, "spoke" to men through interpreters. Desiring to convey to man the plan of redemption, God used the Law with its sacrifices and washings as a great object lesson. Yet for long centuries the love of God and His purposes for man were veiled to the eyes of the common man. There was no satisfactory vehicle of communication.

But "in these last days (God hath) spoken unto us by His Son." At last God reached a lost creation with His Word. John, in his gospel, saw Jesus to be the Word of God, the Expression of His Person, God's Vehicle of Communication with man. Now, at last, an avenue for lost communion was established.

Jesus was God, sharing the miracle of His creative work (Heb. 1:2), the image of His Person (v. 3), the power of His word (v. 3), the glory of His majesty (v. 8), the eternity of His existence (v. 11). And Jesus was man. The first chapter of Hebrews pictures Him as Holy God; the second chapter of Hebrews presents Him as perfect man. He became our brother (Heb. 2:11), shared our sufferings (v. 10), endured temptation (v. 18 and Heb. 4:15), and tasted death (v. 9, 14). "Wherefore in all things it behooved Him to be made like unto His brethren." (v. 17).

Christ spoke for God in a language understood by men. Through Christ, God could once again share fellowship with His creation — know and be known. But more glorious still, we His creatures, created for His glory, created to know Him and enjoy fellowship with Him; we, through Christ may know God — know and be known.

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Doaktown	10.00
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Havelock	100.00
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HOW MUCH SHALL I GIVE THIS YEAR FOR MISSIONS?

(A Little Argument With Myself)

1. If I refuse to give anything to missions this year, I practically cast a ballot in favor of the recall of every missionary, both in the home and foreign fields.
2. If I give less than heretofore, I favor a reduction of the missionary forces proportionate to my reduced contribution.
3. If I give the same as formerly, I favor holding the ground already won, but I disregard any forward movement. My song is, "Hold the Fort!" forgetting that the Lord never intended that His army should take refuge in a fort. All of His soldiers are under marching orders always. They are commended to "Go!"
4. If I advance my offering beyond former years, then I favor an advance movement in the conquest of new territory for Christ. Shall I not join this class?

Resolved: I do believe in greatly increasing the present number of our missionaries, therefore I will increase my former offerings to missionary work.

—The Missionary Challenge.

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