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Decoding Hebrews 4 – Proof That We Should Keep The Sabbath

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Hello, everyone, and welcome back to this week's broadcast. I'm Jim Staley with [Passion for Truth Ministries](#), and I'm so grateful to be with you again this week. We are live every single Saturday at 11 a.m. Central Standard Time. We have a broadcast that premieres on our [YouTube channel](#). You can also check out hundreds of articles and other teachings on our website at [passionfortruth.com](#). We are right in the middle of an incredible verse-by-verse series for the book of Hebrews as we try to discover what the author of Hebrews is really trying to say. And the only way you can do that is to go back to the original language, the original culture, and all of it was Jewish. It was all from the Hebraic mindset. If we look in the Scriptures from our Christian, Western, 21st-century perspective, we're simply going to read into it what we think it means, and that can sometimes be in stark contrast to what the author meant.

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And so that's what we're doing here at this channel. We break it down all for you and try to help you understand the Bible. God's called me to be a teacher of His Word, verse by verse, and that's what we're doing today. So if that's the type of content you're looking for, hit [subscribe](#) right now. Pass this along to your friends, and we're all on for a ride. And especially today, as we walk through what can be a difficult chapter in Hebrews 4, as the author is building towards the high priesthood, that we're going to hit hard in 8, 9, and 10, and especially 11. It's been very misunderstood for ages. Why has it been always misunderstood? It seems because we're just reading into the Scriptures what we already believe. And anti-Semitism definitely plays a part in all of this.

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Remember, this is the book of Hebrews. It's specifically written to the believing Jews throughout the land, making sure they don't go back to original Judaism without Yeshua. This author wants to make sure that they are locked in, that they know who Jesus is, that they know who He represents, that they know where He came from, and they know what the future holds. And in this chapter, He's going to dive into this concept of rest and what's really at risk when we don't. So let's dive in right now. Over to **Hebrews 4**. Let's do it verse by verse.

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"¹ Therefore, since a promise remains of entering His rest, let us fear lest any of you seem to have overcome it or come short of it. ² For indeed, the gospel was preached to us as well as to them," who those that were in the wilderness out of Egypt, I should say, ***"but the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard it. ³ For we who have believed do enter that rest, as He said, so I swore in My wrath, they shall not enter into My rest."*** Now, what's He talking about here? It's very simple. He's referencing the Exodus and how they were there for 40 years and how the majority of the tribes of Israel, 10 out of the 12 to be exact, only the Joshua-Caleb generation was allowed to go into the promised land. He's metaphorically calling that the land of rest, which is a bit ironic because they had to fight for decades to actually take over that land.

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Why would He call it the land of rest? This is prophetically going to be really connected to your life this week. Although we're going to dive into the actual words and we're going to see what it really means, I believe it's going to speak to you prophetically as well. Why? Because we're all in a wilderness experience. Every one of us is in a different part of that journey. Are you just coming out of Egypt? Are you right before the promised land? Are you of the generation that finds yourself in disbelief and always questioning God? Do you find yourself in the Joshua-Caleb camp where you're like, hey, God can do anything. It doesn't matter what happens or what comes my way. God's got this. So if that's your attitude, you're in a really good place and you're entering into the rest of God.

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What is the rest of God? Well, it's really kind of an amazing phrase if you ask me because it's a play on words in more than one way. One, the rest of God is the promised land. He brings you into your inheritance. Everything He's ever designed for you, He brings you into. That includes the land that your enemies took over while you were gone. So no matter where you've been in your journey, if the enemy has come in and stolen anything from you, God says, I have the ability to take it back. You're going to have to help work for it because that's the battle, the spiritual battle that we go through. So if you're struggling with something right now, you've got something that's just a vice for you. And the vice can be a person. It can be a family member. It can be an addiction. It can be something that you're doing that God doesn't want. That is your battle in the promised land.

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So God has given you divine assistance to help you destroy that city and take it over. That becomes part of entering into His rest. The more that you win those battles, the more that you partner with God, the more that you seek to take over the inheritance that God's given you, the more rest you will have. Now, I love this metaphor as well because Yeshua did that on the cross. He defeated death. He defeated Satan. He defeated the enemy. He took over the high priesthood, the Melchizedek priesthood from the Levitical priesthood. He overarchingly put His umbrella over us so the storm doesn't touch us, but we still have to get under the umbrella.

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So Yeshua is the rest, metaphorically. The promised land is the rest. And then the third one, which I love the most, is that when you truly decide to have the attitude of Joshua, Caleb, that God can do anything, let's go defeat these giants in our land, by the way, that's taken over our rest, then you enter into the rest of God, meaning you don't have all of Him now, but you will have the rest of God, just like you have a piece of pizza and you eat the rest of the pizza. So at the end of the day, this is a beautiful metaphor, I believe, because when we truly grab onto the tzitzit of Yeshua, like the woman with the issue of blood and everything in her was just to, just all I got to do is touch Him and I know I'll be healed, right? That is entering into the rest of God. The people saw Yeshua, but she entered into the rest of God, meaning she had power. She was able to connect with the King of the universe because of her faith.

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This is what we were talking about in chapter three. The trap of Satan is disbelief. What is disbelief most highlighted by? The way that we think. It's the way that we think. We do what we believe. We end up operating in the way that we think. So whatever is between these seven inches of these two ears is likely what I'm going to do. If I believe that [Romans 8:28](#) is true, that all things work together for good for those who love the Lord and are called according to His purpose, then I'm in the Joshua-Caleb camp. That means I have belief in God. That means I'm operating in full potential. I'm a giant killer and I'm walking in the rest of God. I'm walking in peace, and I'm walking in the fullness of everything that God offers for me. If I operate in disbelief, which is the generation that says, hey, the giants are too big. These addictions in my life are too bad. My spouse is too out of control. Whatever it might be, the moment you don't believe that God can raise something from the dead or heal something, you're walking in disbelief. Your giants will grow larger right before your eyes. *This is* the power of Hebrews 4. This is the setup for one of the greatest set forwards from your setback that God can give you if we fully understand this whole rest concept.

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So let's go back to the Scriptures. We've got a lot to talk about. All right, so it didn't profit them because it wasn't mixed with faith. So that's why He said they're not going to enter in My rest, meaning they're not going to come into the promised land, and they absolutely didn't. So let's move forward. It says, ***"³ although the works were finished from the foundation of the world,"*** what does that mean? That means that the concept of God coming in the flesh in the form of Yeshua and paying for all the sins of mankind through the high priest, becoming the intermediary between God and men, that whole idea was before the creation of the world, like all of it was already done. God's outside of time. So everything's already happened. He knew everything that was going to happen, and He programmed even the earth and our own bodies, knowing that we were going to blow it in the garden to be able to make it through this tribulation called life of 6,000 years until He would come and make things right.

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"⁴ For He has spoken in a certain place of the seventh day in this way." Now immediately, watch this, the author switches to the concept of the seventh day Sabbath. He switches to the fourth commandment. He's bringing up the Sabbath rest. So at first He says, enter into My rest, clearly metaphorical, clearly talking about the promised land. And now He's going to connect God's rest, the promised land, the rest of God into the actual weekly Sabbath. And it says this, ***"⁴ for He's spoken of in a certain place of the seventh day in this way, and God rested on the seventh day from all of His works."*** Now He's saying in a certain place a bit sarcastically because every Jew knows where He's talking about. He's talking about [Genesis chapter two](#).

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What the author is going to do is connect these two concepts together. The seventh day Sabbath, the weekly Sabbath that He gave in the garden before man ever even sinned, which by the way, by default means that if man doesn't sin, we're still keeping the Sabbath. The Catholics don't exist. They don't change it to the seventh, to the first day of the week on Sunday. And we're not even having this conversation. But I digress. So as we move forward, the author is going to connect these two concepts of the weekly Sabbath and God's rest. Here's how He does it. He says in **verse five**, ***"⁵ and again in this place, they shall not enter My rest."*** See how He just connected that. He connected the seventh day in creation to entering into His rest.

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So what is this by default telling us? It is a concept that is not taught in Christianity, that there is a day where God is waiting for you, like an anniversary, like your kid is waiting for your birthday. I know my children, when their birthdays come up, my youngest is like 49 more days till my birthday, right? 12 days to my birthday. This is how God feels. He's like six days until I get to meet with my children again in a special way. Not that you can't meet with them every single day, all day, but there's something special about this day because the author says it's special because He's quoting God in the garden who says it's special. **And the word special there in Hebrew is kadosh. It means holy. It means set apart.** If it wasn't special, He would have never made it special, but He made it special. And we need to listen because He connects His rest, something about a divine outpouring of shalom.

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Listen carefully. There is something about Saturday from Friday night at sundown, which is when Bible days start to Saturday night at sundown, that God pours out His peace. There's something about it. There's a recalibration. We don't understand it. God said it. That's it. Why did He decide to come and cloak Himself in humanity? He could have cloaked Himself in the form of a lamb, a goat, a calf. He didn't. Why? Because He chose a human to do so. We don't have to understand every single part of what God does, but we do know that God says that this day is special. And He was connecting the fact that they're keeping the Sabbath every single week. And He says, but if they don't accept Yeshua, if you lose Yeshua, let me give you the punchline of all of Hebrews chapter four. If you back off of your belief in what my Yeshua can do, what Jesus Christ can do in your life, you will lose the rest. It won't matter if you keep the Sabbath every week, you won't have the rest of God. You won't have the shalom and the peace that God offers and the divine assistance that you need to make it through the next six days. The seventh day is so critical, but you must have it with the peace of God that comes only through the blood of the lamb. Amen.

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All right. So going back to the Scriptures, it says in **verse eight**, “***8 for if Joshua,***” talking about the Israelites going into the promised land after they came out at 40 years in the desert, “***had given them rest, then they would not have afterwards spoken of another day. 9 There, therefore remains a rest for the people of God. 10 For he who has entered into His rest himself also ceased from his works as God did from His.***” Now, I cannot begin to underscore how important these three verses are that we’re going to break down right now, because there is a hidden message here in the Greek, and it’s extraordinary, because every single time that you see **the word rest in this chapter and the chapter before, it is the Greek word katapau**. Now, katapau is simply that concept that we’re very familiar with in English of just resting. **It is to make quiet, to cause to be at rest. It’s the state of being still before God**, right? So that can be used any day of the week. You can be still, you can be quiet. **It’s the concept of being in shalom**. But when you get to verse nine, the author changes the word and he does it on purpose because he just connected the seventh day Sabbath out of Genesis chapter two to the rest of God, the shalom of God. And then he says, if Joshua had given them rest, meaning if he would have given them this perfect shalom by moving them into the promised land, then they would have not afterwards spoken of another day.

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What another day? He says, therefore, there remains a rest for the people of God. And you don’t see it in the English because it’s using the same word rest. But they, the interpreters did a huge injustice because it’s not the same word. And it has a completely different meaning. **This word in verse nine is what? It’s sabbatismos. What is sabbatismos? It is literally the seventh day. More than that, it is the verb keeping the Sabbath.** It is talking about the seventh day Sabbath and how there remains a Sabbath keeping for the people of God. And if you go online, you can actually see the different versions. There are some versions that actually say there remains therefore a Sabbath keeping for the people of God. So bottom line, the author of Hebrews is saying, look, we’re not there yet. He’s making this incredible connection.

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And you can see it with the graphic on your screen that he's got on one side. He's got Genesis, the seventh day Sabbath. Then it moves over to the promised land as the rest of God. Then it moves over to Jesus, Yeshua, the rest. It moves to the Sabbath day and it moves to the millennium, which is the final seventh day, the seventh prophetic day, because each day is like a thousand years according to the Scripture. So there was six days of creation. Then the rest on the seventh day. Therefore, there shall be six thousand years of work or mankind. And then the seventh millennium, which is the seventh prophetic day of creation, if you will, there'll be a thousand years of peace, a thousand years of shalom. That's where the Messiah Christ rules and reigns from Jerusalem for a thousand years. That is the prophetic connection. So in all of that graphic that you are looking at right now, you can see that there's one single thing that still remains from the very beginning of creation to the very end of time. It is this thing called the weekly Sabbath. It is so important to God because it's a prophetic foreshadowing of not only the time of the millennium, but it is the time that God said He wants to meet with us.

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What did Rome say? Rome said, oh, well, we're worshipping the sun on sun's day. And that's why they converted it from Saturday to Sunday. The biblical Sabbath has always been on Saturday. That's when the church always met was Saturday night at sundown after the afternoon synagogue service at the local synagogue and any known city in the known world at that time. But when the sun went down, the Christians met together on Saturday night, which was considered the first day of the week, because the first day of the week started at Saturday night at sundown. They weren't meeting on Sunday morning. They were meeting Saturday night. It's our assumption because the traditional church meets on Sunday morning. So, oh, the first day of the week they were meeting must be Sunday morning. Nope. It was midnight on Saturday night. It says the midnight on the first day of the week when Eutychus fell out of the window when Paul was preaching. That had to be Saturday night because if it was Sunday at midnight, it would be the second day of the week.

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Anyway, not to confuse you. We have more to talk about later about that. What the author of Hebrews is trying to say is from the time of creation to the time of entering into the rest of Yeshua, which is during the millennium, there's one thing that remains that God's people need to do, and that is *keep the Sabbath*. There's no other way to interpret this, my friends. He literally is using the word Sabbath keeping. If he's not expecting his audience to be keeping the Sabbath, he would never use that term.

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Think about that for just a moment. For those of you that don't believe that we should keep the commandments of God, well, [1 John 5:3](#) says then you don't love God because the only way to love God is to keep His commandments. And by the way, in [Revelation 12:17](#), it says that the beast and the great tribulation goes after only one group of people, those who have the testimony of Jesus. Yep, we've got that one right. But also those who keep the commandments of God. It's important. The commandments are what defines our direction of the covenant. If you get rid of the commandments, you get rid of the definition of sin. You get rid of the definition of sin. No one can be cursed for breaking it, which means we don't even need a savior. That's how serious this conversation is.

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Israel was taken into captivity into Babylon, the southern kingdom of Israel, because of their breaking of the Sabbath. That's why they were there for 70 years. They literally ignored the Sabbath for 70 years. And God said, I'll make the land rest since you're not going to honor My Sabbath land rest laws. And I'll put you in Babylon for 70 years and let the land rest. If God didn't care, He wouldn't have taken them into captivity. But it matters to Him. We don't have to understand it. As a matter of fact, you don't even have to agree with it. Your own children, we have the same rules. We tell them, hey, if you want to live in my house, you're going to play by my rules. You don't have to understand, Suzy, Johnny, why I'm telling you to do this. You just need to obey.

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The author of Hebrews is just trying to connect this beautiful concept of resting in God. And we get to do that every single week. That's why He says, until the millennium comes, until the final rest of Christ is there, when we fully enter into His rest. Right now, we're entering in the spirit, but we're fighting the flesh. So we're in and out of rest, like battling in the promised land. But until we get there, Joshua didn't even lead his people into the full rest. If he would have, there wouldn't be a need for the millennium. But there remains a Sabbath keeping for the people of God until we get there. This Sabbath is a blessing, ladies and gentlemen. This Sabbath is our gift. It's God's gift to mankind to let us rest for one day a week, put the phone down, turn the television off, literally sit with your family, enjoy one another, absolutely spend more time with God. It is a set appointed time for us to recalibrate, to let our bodies recover.

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Did you know that those that are Seventh-day Adventists, and I'm not one, by the way, I just believe that we should keep God's commandments and love Him that way. Actually, scientifically, they've discovered they live 10 years longer because they take a day of rest. It's just science. Our bodies were never created to work seven days a week. We need to stop. And we need to stop being part of the problem and buying and selling on the Sabbath and causing other people to work. We need to be part of the solution and go back to doing Bible things in Bible ways. For some of you, this will resonate with you. If you've never heard this concept of keeping the Sabbath, you need to look more into this. I have tons of videos on this. I have a book coming out on this topic later this year. I believe the Father wants you to be blessed by just stopping, just katapauo, right?

Katapauo, I love that word in the Greek. It means to just cease, to stop, to rest, to just come to a halt. And when do we do it? We do it on this day. We do it on the seventh day. We do it on the sabbatismos in the Greek. We do it on the Shabbat in Hebrew. Friday night to Saturday night. And we enter into that ancient rest that our forefathers.

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Imagine when you are resting and you're having dinner and you're sitting around the table with your family on Friday night when the sun goes down and you're lighting the candles and you're opening up the Scriptures and you're thanking God, inviting the Holy Spirit into that moment. And it's a dinner unlike any other dinner during the rest of the week. It's special. You have challah bread there. You've got your wine glasses. You are ready to enter into His rest. Did you know that you're doing this at the same time that the disciples were doing it 2,000 years earlier? Imagine that if you're outside the time, they're doing the same thing, holding up the bread and blessing the bread and blessing the wine. And you're doing the same thing that they did at the same time. It's an extraordinary concept. We're doing Bible things in Bible ways.

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"11 Let us therefore be diligent," in verse 11, "to enter into that rest. Lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience." Now, these were still the children of God, my friends. They were still the children of God, even though they didn't believe that God could, they could beat the giants. They were still part of the kingdom, but they had to live the rest of their life in the desert with no peace. The peace of God happens inside the promised land with the belief system that God can do all things through Christ who strengthens you in your situation. Some of you need to write that in the comments right now. I believe God can strengthen me. Just write it in there. I believe that God can strengthen me. Maybe you put it in a form of a prayer. Christ, please strengthen me. God, please strengthen me. You can do this, ladies and gentlemen. Your only defeat is what you believe.

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By the way, I want you to hear this prophetically. I just feel a word from the Lord right now in alignments and agreements that if you are having this negative belief system and you're speaking death over you, your family, your life, your relationship. I can't do this. My husband's this. My wife is this. This is this. This is that. When you come into alignment with that, you're coming into alignment with a lie. And that lie is a shackle and a chain straight from the pit of hell to hold you down and to hold you back and to feed you that lie and the fruits of that lie. So in other words, you create your own self-fulfilling prophecy by the words that you speak. You are made in the image of God. Brother, sister, listen carefully. You need to hear this. We are creating the image of God. We have the ability to create and we can create our own world by the things that we say and more importantly, the things that we do.

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Because when you do something, I heard this week in a podcast, it was just beautiful. When you create a pattern of doing something, you're falling into an alignment with that object. So when you fall into a pattern of getting into the Word of God, you're coming in alignment with the Word of God. When you fall in a pattern of pornography or fall in a pattern of stinking thinking, saying negative things, word curses over you and everybody you meet, you're coming into alignment with the pit of hell. So don't be surprised when your life starts to get hot and warmed up and you feel like you're in an oven because you're living in alignment with Satan himself. The way you break that is come out of alignment and begin to speak the truth in your life. Some of you need deliverance and you need deliverance right now. You're falling out of alignment with God and you say with your mind that you believe in God, but you're living and playing in the sands of the desert because you refuse to believe that God can defeat the giants in your life across the river, which is your inheritance. Our inheritance is built on faith. It's not built on what Jesus did. Jesus, what Jesus did means nothing if we don't take the bull by the horns. Unbelievers, it doesn't mean anything to them. It only means something when you believe it. The work is done, it's finished, but it doesn't mean that you get the power until you drink from the glass. Take the chalice out of Yeshua's hand and believe that His blood rejuvenates everything in your body. Whatever you're going through, my friend, I'm telling you the situation will continue to spiral out of control until you believe by faith that the waters can come and part.

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Take the stick, right? Take the coal from the altar. Cleanse your lips, Isaiah says. Here I am. Don't come to God and say here I am until you go to the altar first. Grab the coal from the altar from your sacrifice. So don't tell God that you love Him. I'm passionately fired up, guys. I'm feeling the power of God right now in a word for some of you out there. You're doing the order all wrong. You first have to sacrifice, and that means something that costs you something. So it's not like putting a dollar in the plate, right, just to satisfy the guy next to you so you don't look bad. No, if you're not tithing, if you're not sacrificing through a living sacrifice, if you're not finding yourself serving others, whatever your sacrifice is, whatever the commandment is that God is telling you to do right now in your life, you have to sacrifice. It's got to cost you something. Then those coals from the sacrifice by faith, you can take into the holy place, put it under the altar of incense that lights up the incense, burns it, creates the smoke, and then the power of God shows up. He never shows up in the cloud until the incense shows up, and the incense can't burn until the fire is there, and the fire can't burn until you're willing to die.

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Until you get up on that altar, brother, sister, and you literally become naked before God and say, I'm tired of living my life in a way that is constantly bringing dishonor to my family, to God, and to everyone around me. I want life. Well, here's the irony, the great irony of living for God. If you want life, you need to have death first. You have to die. There's no way to get around that formula until the lamb died, He could not arise and live again. You must first self-sacrifice. Then the coal goes to your lips and you begin to change how you speak. What you say matters, but more importantly, what you do matters because God is looking for obedience, not sacrifice alone. Oh, sacrifice by itself, great, but if you don't couple it with obedience, it doesn't mean a thing. That's why God says, look, there remains a day of rest. Keep My Sabbath, says the Lord.

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For crying out loud, ladies and gentlemen, it's the top four. It's literally in the top four of all commandments. You don't have to believe that God's law is for today, but certainly, hopefully you believe that 10 commandments are for today. And He says, before man sinned, keep My Shabbat. Remember it. Why does He tell us to remember it? Because we keep forgetting. Remember, we're children. So He wrote it down and we still don't believe Him. And can you believe this is the age old trick that Satan, that Luciferian serpent has said from the very beginning when he climbed up that tree and he's spoken to the ears of Adam and Eve. And what did he say? It was the same lie that we believe today. He whispered and said, I know that God gave you this rule, but He didn't really mean it. It's not for you. God doesn't want you to not eat from this tree. You can do whatever you want. You can worship when you want. You can have Sabbath whenever you want. You can do whatever you want. Do whatever's right in your own eyes. Use your own interpretation, Christian.^a And Satan has shackled God's people to the wall of shame and stripped us of our glory and our power. And the image of God is stunted in the earth today because God's people refuse to bow the knee in humble obedience and just love Him His way.

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You can't be married very long if you love your spouse your way. You love them the way they want to be loved. He is our bridegroom, ladies and gentlemen. It's time that we treat Him with that respect. Why? Because of this. **Verse 12** says this, ***"¹² for the Word of God is living. It's powerful. It's sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit and the joints and marrow. And it's a discerner of the thoughts and the intents of the heart. ¹³ There's no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him who must give an account."***

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Ladies and gentlemen, why is He saying this? He's saying be diligent to enter into that rest. He's talking about the Word of God now. Be diligent to be in the Word of God, which is Yeshua, which is the first day light of creation, the last day in the millennium. He's every day in between, but He points out one day and He says, look, the Word of God is living. It's powerful. It's sharper than any two-edged sword. You need to be in it. It will point you to the rest. It pierces the joints and the marrow where you can put on a facade for all of your friends. You can't fool God. And I'm looking right into my camera right now. And I'm looking right into my face because I can't fool God either. God knows the intents of my heart. He knows the wickedness. He knows the pride. He knows all of the agendas, the false motivations. We can pretend we're righteous all day long, my friends, but the reality of it is you can't fool God for one minute. He sees everything. It says right here, we are naked.^b Everything is naked. He's got x-ray vision into every part of your life. You can't hide it. So stop trying to hide it. Get on the altar. You're already naked. Take the clothes off of your own pride, the glory that you created in your own world, and realize that God is there already waiting to light the match, to burn off all of the draws, to make you into the gold and the pure silver that He's designed for you to be. But you must crawl on that altar now.

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Some of you need to physically just let God move in your heart and get on your knees right now and repent for your disbelief. Forget about writing in the comments. Literally just write on the door of your heart right now with the blood of Christ and repent for not believing in God in your situation. And then email me at info@passionfortruth.com. You can see it on your screen and tell me your story and tell me your breakthrough because I'm telling you, the moment you break that chain of disbelief and get rid of that agreement that you made with the serpent is the moment that your breakthrough shows up. It's in the spirit realm already. It's on its way. Like Gabriel was released the moment that Daniel started praying. No, he didn't show up for 21 days. Imagine if Daniel would have stopped praying, but he believed by faith that heaven is listening. So he just kept on. The giants are in front of him, but he kept on and eventually Gabriel showed up and even disclosed to him, hey, I was on my way in minute one, but the prince of Persia slowed me down. That demon over this city slowed me down, but I'm here and I'm here to give you a message and answer your prayer.

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My friends, your prayers are answered. They will be answered. All you have to do is believe by faith that the King that was big enough to create the universe, which is literally fits in the palm of His hand, is the same King and Creator that can absolutely give you the peace that you need, that can maneuver that storm over the top of you. So you sit in the middle of it. The storm is never going to go away, my friends. It's where you position yourself of whether or not the sun is shining in the middle of your storm. If you're in the eye of God, you are in the eye of the storm. You are in the perfect shalom. He will wander you and move you through that storm. Satan can't touch you when you stay dead center in God's target eye. Amen.

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There's no creature hidden from His sight. Every single one of us will give an account. It's better that we give an account now. Do an audit of your life now. Some of you need to get a piece of paper out or get your computer out, your phone out, and you need to start writing down every sin that you have, every false motive that you have, things that need to change, you need to start doing whatever it takes to get rid of it and make those changes. If it's just speaking positive, if it's thinking the best about people instead of arguing, if it's just praying over them, refusing to engage in any more negativity and live in joy, choose joy today, brethren. It's your choice. People don't make us angry. We choose it. We choose our disposition.

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Oh my goodness, as we continue to finish these last few verses, let's read them this way. I love how this is titled, Our Compassionate High Priest. ***"¹⁴ Seeing then that we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathise with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted exactly the way that we are. Yet He never sinned."*** You know why? He chose not to. ***"Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time."***

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My friends, this is the moment that some of you have been waiting for. I know some of you are going intellectually and you've been following along since I started with the [book of Acts](#) and we went through the [book of Romans](#) and now we're in Hebrews and you're wanting to learn the Bible, but God's wanting you to learn Him. In order to learn Him, you must believe in Him. And that means you believe in Him all the time from the moment that we wake up to the moment that we put our head on that pillow. Our eyes, our mind, our thoughts, our actions, our belief system must align with heaven. Does your belief system align with heaven? Could your circumstances be related to the level of your belief? Because the power of God that's released from heaven to your life is. I don't care what you're going through. Believe God and the giants will fall without a sling even being needed. He's there. He's ready. He's waiting for someone to just stand firm. Believe, brethren. Believe, my sister. God has your back.

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Father, I just come before You on behalf of whoever is in need of ministry right now. Maybe there's someone got on their face, crying their eyes out, God, and repentance for the disbelief that Your Holy Spirit is so powerful that even through a video, You can impact someone's life and draw them into deeper walk with You. God, I pray for that person right now that You would put Your peace over them. They would enter into Your rest and join the rest of the saints that believe just because You already do. God, You proved Yourself and we only need to believe because the power has already been demonstrated. Death has been defeated. The giants have already fallen. God, thank You for this time together. We praise Your name. Amen.

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My friends, if this has blessed you, I pray that you would share this with people. Share what God is doing. It is by the blood of the lamb and by the word, the testimony that you have. Testimonies are typically made through tests. Messages are typically designed and created through a mess. So if you find yourself in a mess, you're probably just on the brink of a message. It's never for you and it's never for nothing. For somebody else is training you, your disciple.

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My friends, I'm Jim Staley with Passion for Truth Ministries. Thank you for joining us this week. We will see you next week, 11 a.m. Central Standard Time. Thank you for supporting this ministry. You can do so at passionfortruth.com at the very top. You can support us and [pay it forward](#) for other people. Join with us. Be a part of the solution. We love you guys. Pray that God blesses you, keeps you. May His face shine upon you. May His countenance be lifted up over you. And may He give you shalom. Shalom, shalom, my friends. And I'll see you in the next video.

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