

Consider Jesus!

*Hebrews 3:1 Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, **consider** the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, **Christ Jesus**;*

2 Who was faithful to him that appointed him, as also Moses was faithful in all his house.

3 For this man was counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as he who hath builded the house hath more honour than the house.

4 For every house is builded by some man; but he that built all things is God.

5 And Moses verily was faithful in all his house, as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after;

6 But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end.

The writer tells us to **consider Christ Jesus...!**

To **consider** means to take a **closer look** and **to fix the mind upon for careful examination** and learn the **depths** of who Jesus truly is and what He does for all who put their trust in Him.

Do you have superficial knowledge of Jesus?

Jesus Christ is the **apostle and High Priest** of our **profession**, our public confession of our agreement/covenant with God.

As we **profess**, we're saying the **same things** God says which means we **totally agree** and will carry out His desires.

What we **profess** is what God has **prophesied (said beforehand)!**

God promised a Messiah/Savior would come many times and many years **beforehand** and He came in the **person of Jesus Christ!**

An **apostle** is a “*delegate, ambassador, and commissioner* of The Gospel **sent by God**.

The **High Priest** was the only person authorized to go before God with the blood of the sacrifice for the **atonement of the sins of the people**.

Only **The High Priest** could **cross the border and break the threshold** of the **Holy of Holies** taking the **blood of the sacrifice** and sprinkle it on the **mercy seat**.

Exodus 12:13 And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.

A **Token** is a **signal/mark** and **miraculous sign!**

The Blood of The Lamb is a signal and miraculous sign on **your house/economy** that signals death to **Passover** your house.

Applying the blood of the sacrifice on top of The Ark of The Covenant activates God's Great and Precious Promises.

Jesus is The Carrier & Activator of The Promises of God!

2 Corinthians 1:20 For all the promises of God find their Yes in him. That is why it is through him that we utter our Amen to God for his glory.

All The Promises of God find their yes in Jesus Christ!

Consider Jesus through Him we have abundant life!

Jesus is the door into The Kingdom and the guarantee of the fulfillment of all The Promises of God! (John 10:9)

Applying blood on the threshold of a door was an ancient practice. The oldest altars were at the entrance of the doors of a house.

Crossing the door (threshold) and entering a house was considered an act of covenant.

People didn't let just anyone, or anything **cross the threshold** in their house!

Entering someone house meant you were given access to the realm of their economy where the blessings of The Lord are present.
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Hospitality is from the word “*hostel*” and means **shelter** and **guest of the host**.

Saints are to be hospitable, meaning giving the weary access to the grace of God (God's economy) in our houses.

Revelation 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

Blood was always applied on the **threshold of the door** as a sign to guests they were welcome. If no blood was present the guest would be offended and turned away.

If the person went into the house **another way** through a window, they were considered **enemies and thieves**.

John 10:1 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.

John 10:9 I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

Jesus is the **door**, the **portal** and **threshold** for the sheep and our entrance into covenant and The Kingdom of God is **through the blood**.

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Jesus is **The Way** (the road, the path), **the Truth** (He is the **true bread** John 6:32, the **true tabernacle** Heb 8:2) **Jesus is the real, the actual and not the type of figure**.

He is also **The Life**, just as The Father gives life to those once dead, Jesus also **quickens** those He chooses (John 5:21).

The Passover/Resurrection is the season that marks **opening of the door/portal** into a **new realm** The Kingdom of God.

This is why we **consider Jesus and NOT The Easter Bunny!**

The Easter Bunny and Easter are pagan expressions of worship of **Ishtar** Mesopotamian goddess of war and sex.

This religion made its way to Europe, the word “**Easter**” is of Anglo-Saxon origin and represents “**The goddess of The Spring.**”

The ancient Egyptians, Persians, Phoenicians, and Hindus believed the world began with an enormous egg, so the egg is a symbol of new life.

We consider Resurrection and Passover because of The Blood!

Taking **Holy Communion** commemorates The Kingdom Economy that's availability to those who accept Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

1 Corinthians 11:23 For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread:

*24 And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, **Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.***

*25 After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, **This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.***

26 For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.

We do these **sacraments** to remember, call to mind, and preserve the miracles. **Whatever can be remembered can be repeated!**

What we remember/consider about Christ allows Him to do it again!

Remember and consider Jesus! *Hebrews 3:1 Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, **consider** the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus.*

2 Peter 1:3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises:
*that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped
the corruption that is in the world through lust.*

We must consider, look fully into, and carefully observe the **great and precious promises** of our LORD.

- I think the church for generations has **focused on the grace of God** and not enough on the many **other great and precious promises**.

Primarily His riches in glory or the glory of God for the saints!

There's more than **“one great promise”** from God!

There are **MANY great and valuable promises** God made the saints.

It is the great promises and valuable promises that enable us to be partakers of His divine nature.

The less of God's promises we know and understand the less of His divine nature we can acquire and express.

Once we enter the door of The Kingdom there is such much to learn!

***Ephesians 1:3** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ...*

Have you considered the spiritual blessings you have in Christ?