

N.T. SURVEY

**General
Epistles &
Revelation**

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HEBREWS



Introduction

“The impressive grandeur of the Epistle to the Hebrews has left an indelible mark on the literature and theology of the Christian church.”

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“In a unique fashion it exalts the person & work of the Lord Jesus Christ. In doing so, it makes immensely valuable contributions to the doctrines of His Incarnation, His substitutionary death, & His priesthood.”

Z Hodges

**“I consider Hebrews -- not
Romans -- the pinnacle of
theological treasures in the
Bible.”**

G Riddle

HEBREWS

➤ **Author - Unknown**

PROBLEMS

- 1. No intro with author & recipients**
- 2. No mention in early writers**
- 3. Earliest reference -
Clement of Alexandria**
- 4. Internal evidence not helpful**

AUTHORSHIP

- Audience knew him
- Knew audience
- OT scholar
- Greek rhetorical style
- Many suggestions

AUTHORSHIP

➤ Internal Evidence

INTERNAL

- 1. Few 1st person ref. - 13:18-19, 22-23**
- 2. Audience knew him - 13:18-24**
- 3. 2nd generation Christians - 2:3**
- 4. Knew audience - 5:11-6:12,
10:32-39, 12:4-5, 13:1-9, 19, 23**
- 5. OT scholar**
- 6. Greek rhetorical style**

AUTHORSHIP

- **Internal Evidence**
- **External Evidence**

EXTERNAL

- 1. Alexandria, Egypt - Paul**
- 2. N. Africa - Barnabas**
- 3. Italy & W. Europe - against Paul**
- 4. Later history - mixed**

SUGGESTIONS

1. Paul



PAUL AUTHORSHIP

➤ Support

1. Author in prison? - 10:34

2. Doctrinal similarities

3. Reference to Tim - 13:23

4. Closing benediction

➤ Evidence Against

1. No Naming

2. Literary style

3. Apostle to Gentiles

SUGGESTIONS

1. Paul
2. Barnabas
3. Luke
4. Apollos
5. Anonymous

**“A library has been written on:
who wrote it, where it was written,
and where was its destination, and
no answer can be given to any of
these inquires What God has
been pleased to hide from us, we
should be content not to know.”**

Scroggie

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➤ **Audience - Jewish Believers**

COMMUNITY

- Past History - 10:32
- Suffering Persecution - 12:4
- Relationship with Author - 13:23
- Believers - 3:1, 12, 6:9, 13:1
- Jewish

JEWISH

- **No Gentile References**
- **OT Authority**
- **Jewish Topics**
- **Jewish Personalities**
- **Title**

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Traditional View

A House Church





Colossae



● Hierapolis

● Laodicea

● Colossae

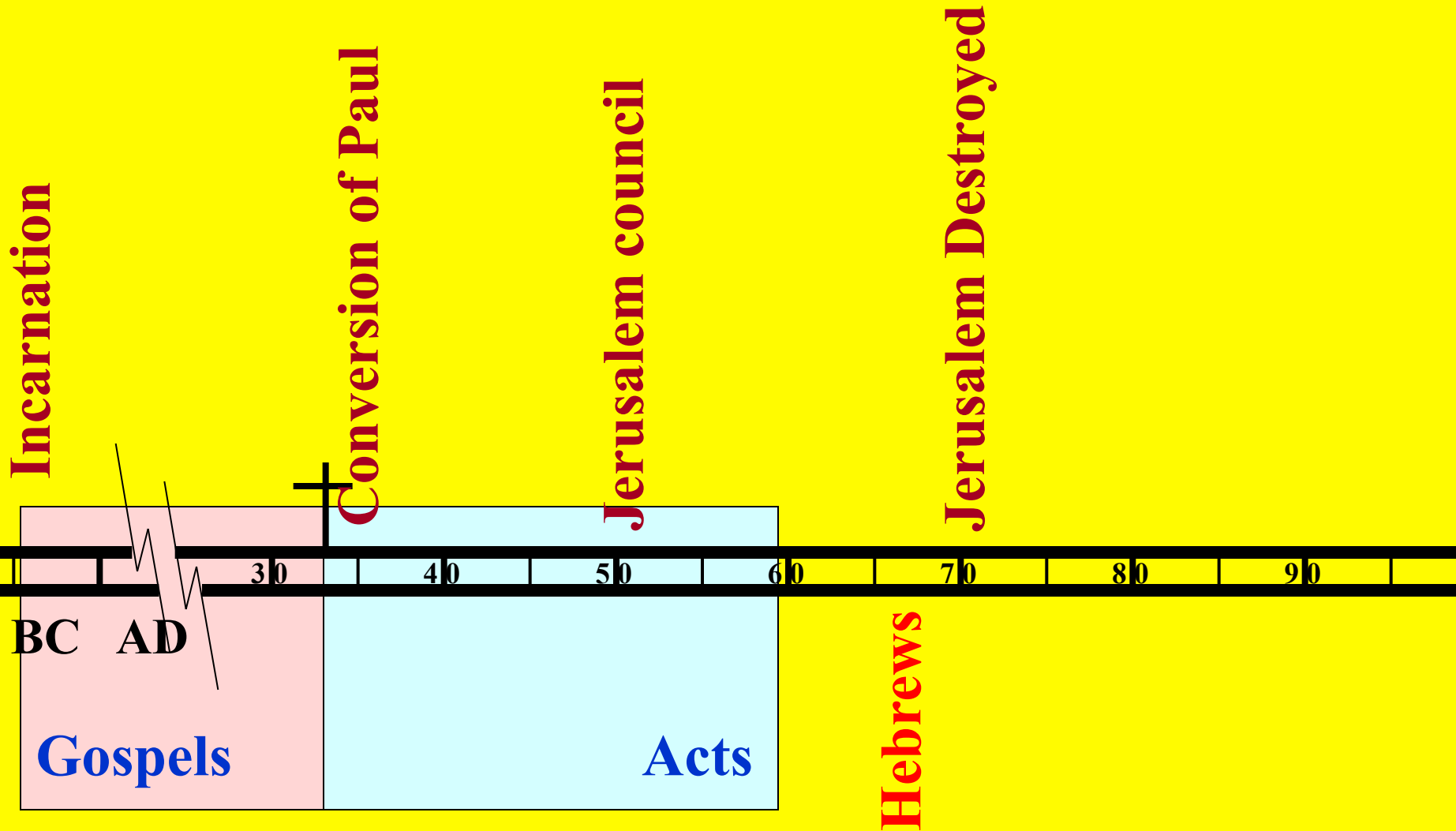
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- **Occasion - 67-69**

NT HISTORY



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- **Audience - Jewish Believers**
- **Location - Unknown**
- **Occasion - 67-69**
- **Purpose - Warning**

CHARACTERISTICS

1. Superiority of Christ

CHRISTOLOGY

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- An aerial photograph of Jerusalem, showing the Old City with its walls and domes, and the surrounding modern city under a blue sky with scattered clouds. The image serves as a background for the text.
1. Superiority - 1:4, 3:3
 2. Earthy Life - 2:17
 3. Atonement - 7:27
 4. Present Ministry - 7:25
 5. Names - 1:2, 4, 3:1

**“Hebrews is to Christology
what Romans is to Soteriology
or Revelation is to Eschatology”**

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CHARACTERISTICS

- 1. Superiority of Christ**
- 2. OT Emphasis**

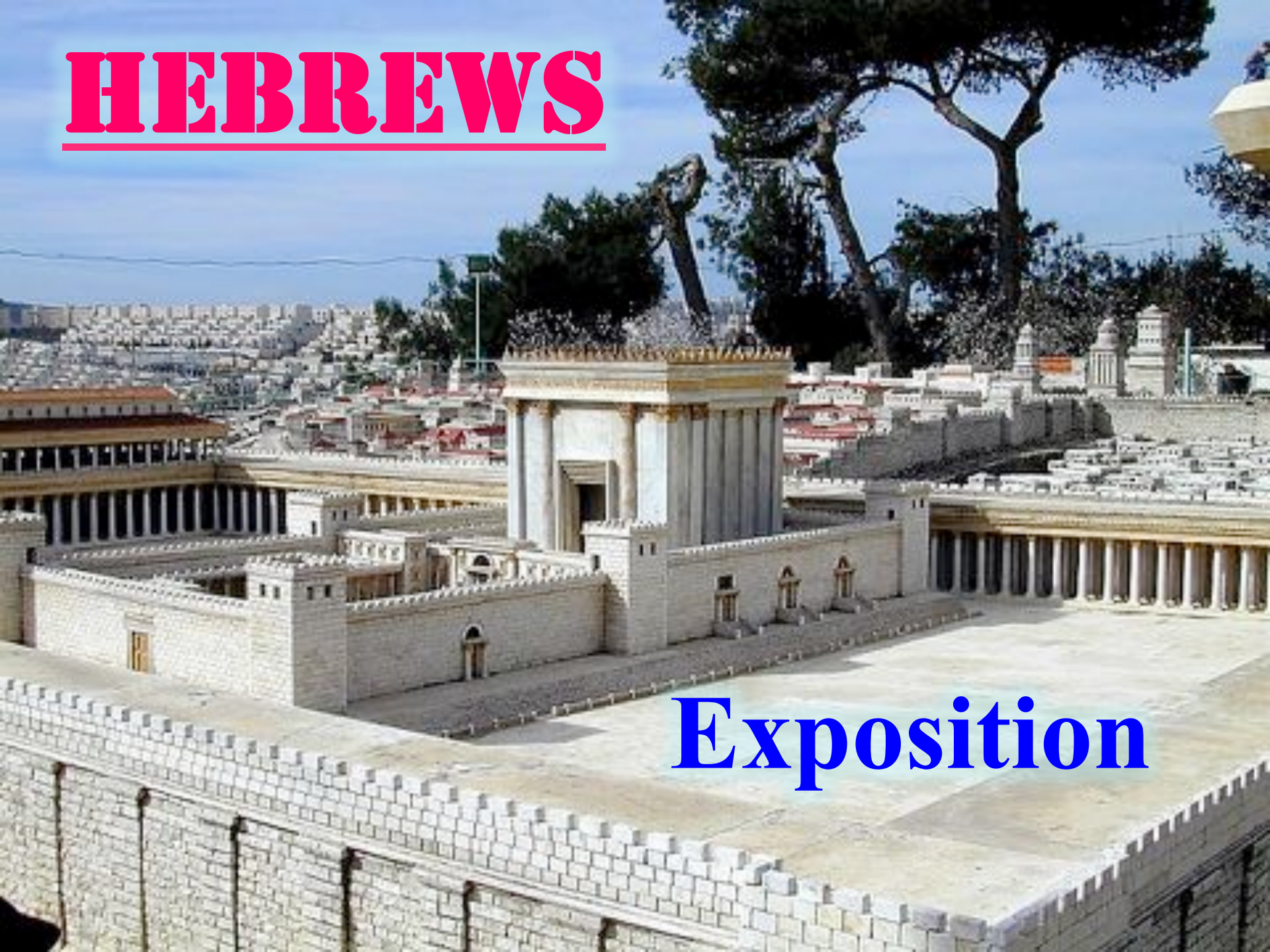
OT EMPHASIS

- 1. Divine Authorship**
- 2. LXX Quotations**
- 3. OT Topics**
- 4. OT Personalities**

CHARACTERISTICS

- 1. Superiority of Christ**
- 2. OT Emphasis**
- 3. Literary Structure**
- 4. Christ's Present Ministry**

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Exposition

MAIN IDEA

**Superiority of Christ &
the Faith-Life in Him**