

Valley Bible Church
Sermon Notes for June 8, 2014

Christ is Superior to Moses
Hebrews 3:12

The author saw Christ as superior to the prophets (Hebrews 1:1-4).

The author of Hebrews saw Christ as superior to the angels (Hebrews 1:5-2:18). The author of Hebrews saw Christ as superior to Moses (Hebrews 3:1-4:13).

Christ, as an example of faithfulness, is superior to Moses (Hebrews 3:1-6).

Christ's superior example of faithfulness led the author to warn his readers against the sin of unbelief (Hebrews 3:7-4:13).

After the author had focused on Israel's past failure in Hebrews 3:7-11, he then, in light of Israel's past failure, exhorted his readers (Hebrews 3:12-13).

The author exhorted his readers to make sure that they had the right kind of heart (Hebrews 3:12).

The word translated "take care" (BLEPETE) is a present imperative that comes from a Greek word meaning "to see."

The heart that the author described in Hebrews 3:12 as an "evil" (PONERA) heart is described as an evil heart because it is an "unbelieving" (APISTIAS) heart.

Those evil unbelieving hearts have been forever hardened by their reaction to God's words and works and can be described as having fallen away from the living God (Numbers 14).

May God give us the grace to quickly respond when He is speaking to us through His word and works so that we might know that our heart is good, and not evil and unbelieving.