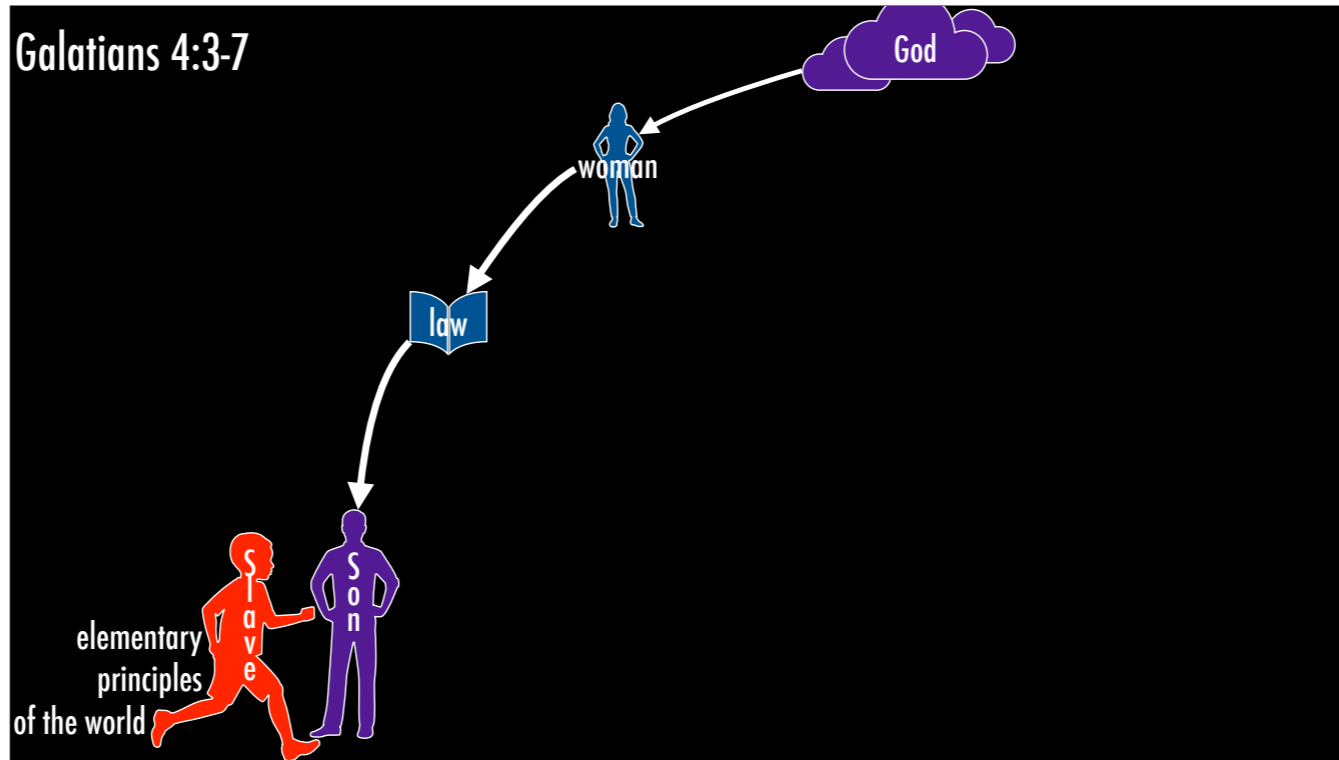


- Galatians 4:3-7

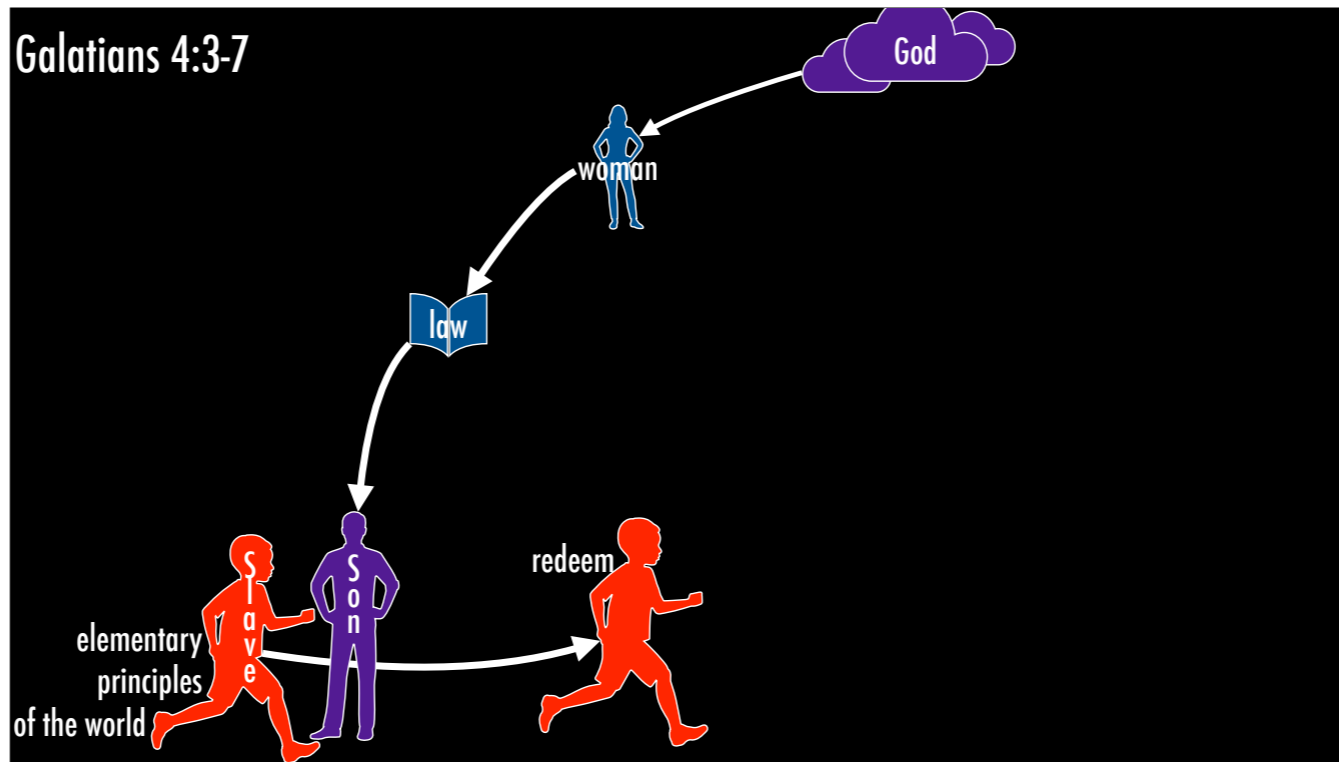
Galatians 4:3-7



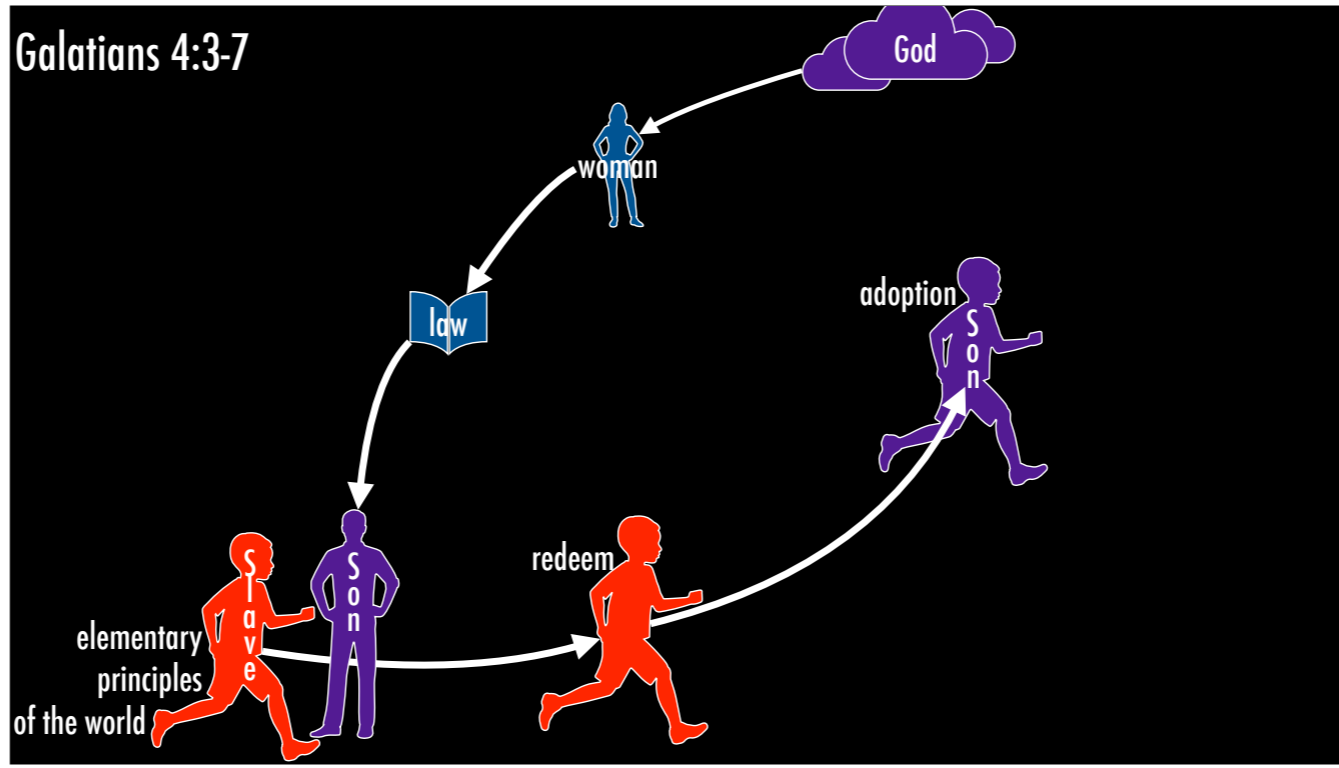
- Galatians 4:3-7 (ESV) 3 In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world.



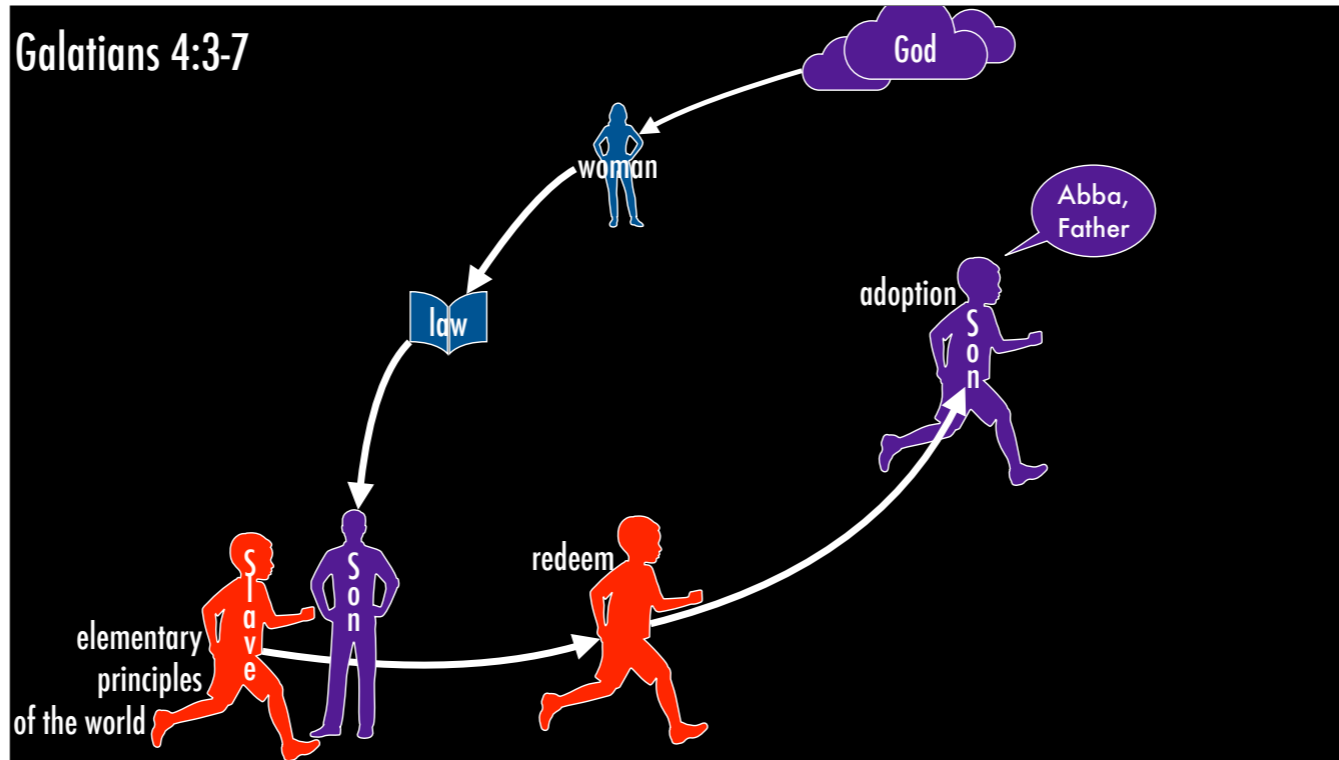
- 4 But when the fullness of time had come,
- God sent forth his Son,
- born of woman,
- born under the law,



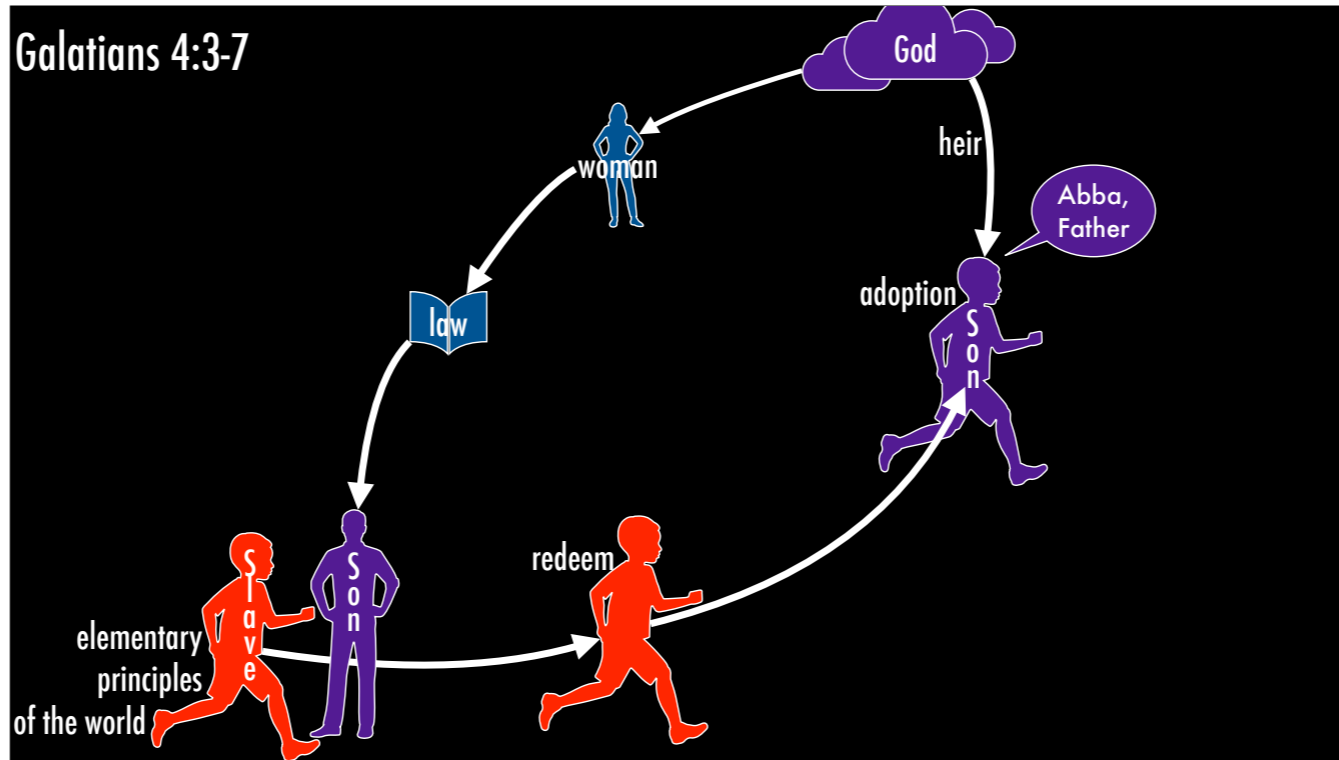
- 5 to redeem those who were under the law,



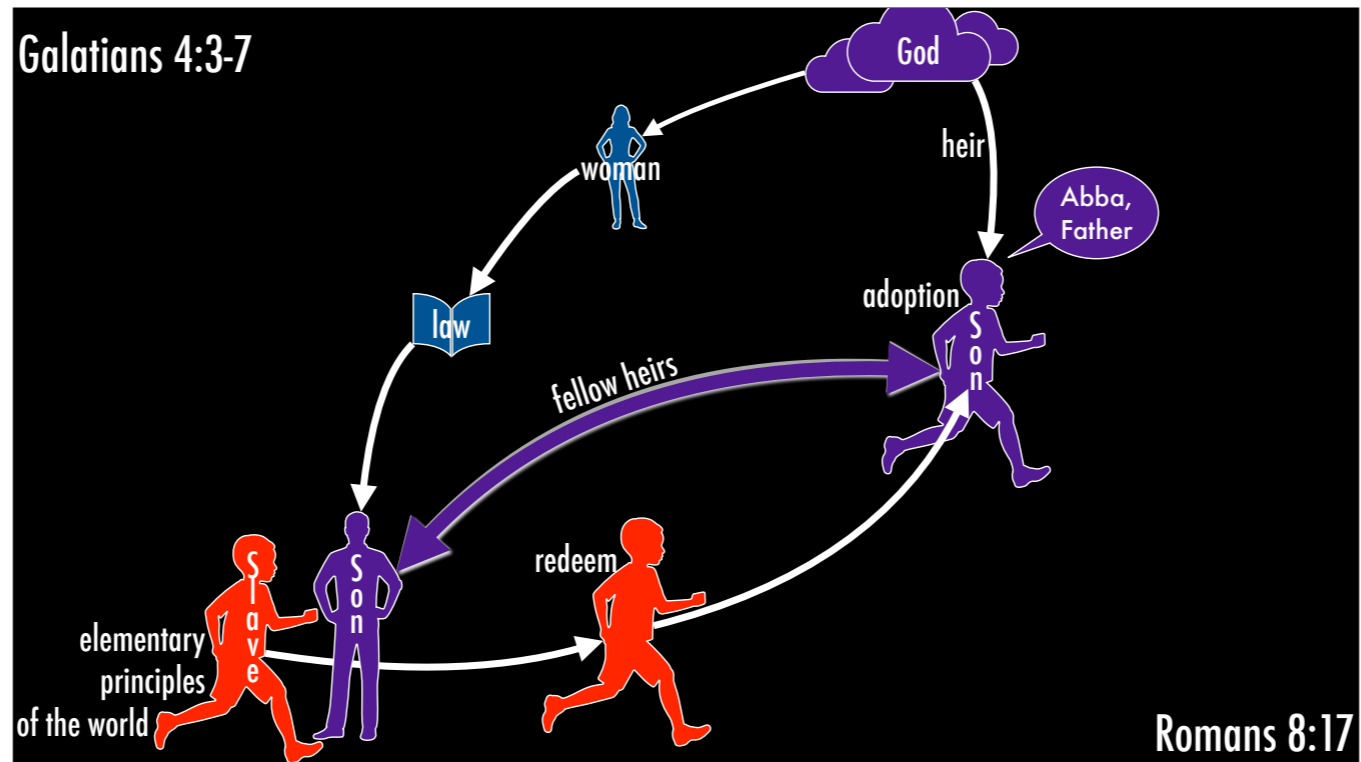
- so that we might receive adoption as sons.



- 6 And because you are sons,
- God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!”

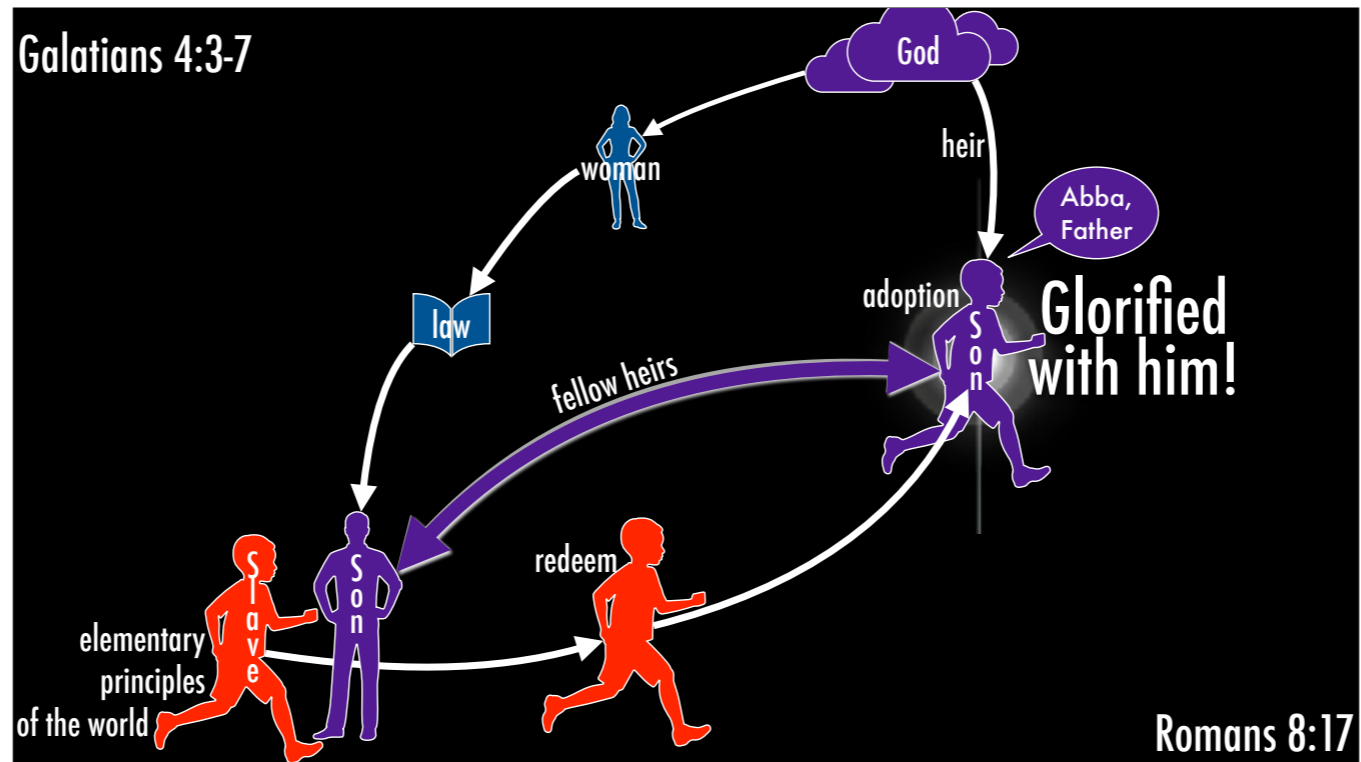


- 7 So you are no longer a slave, but a son,
- and if a son, then an heir through God.



• Romans 8:14-17 (ESV)

- 14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.
- 15 For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear,
- but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons,
- by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!”
- 16 The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God,
- 17 and if children, then heirs—
- heirs of God
- and fellow heirs with Christ,
- provided we suffer with him
- in order that we may also be glorified with him.

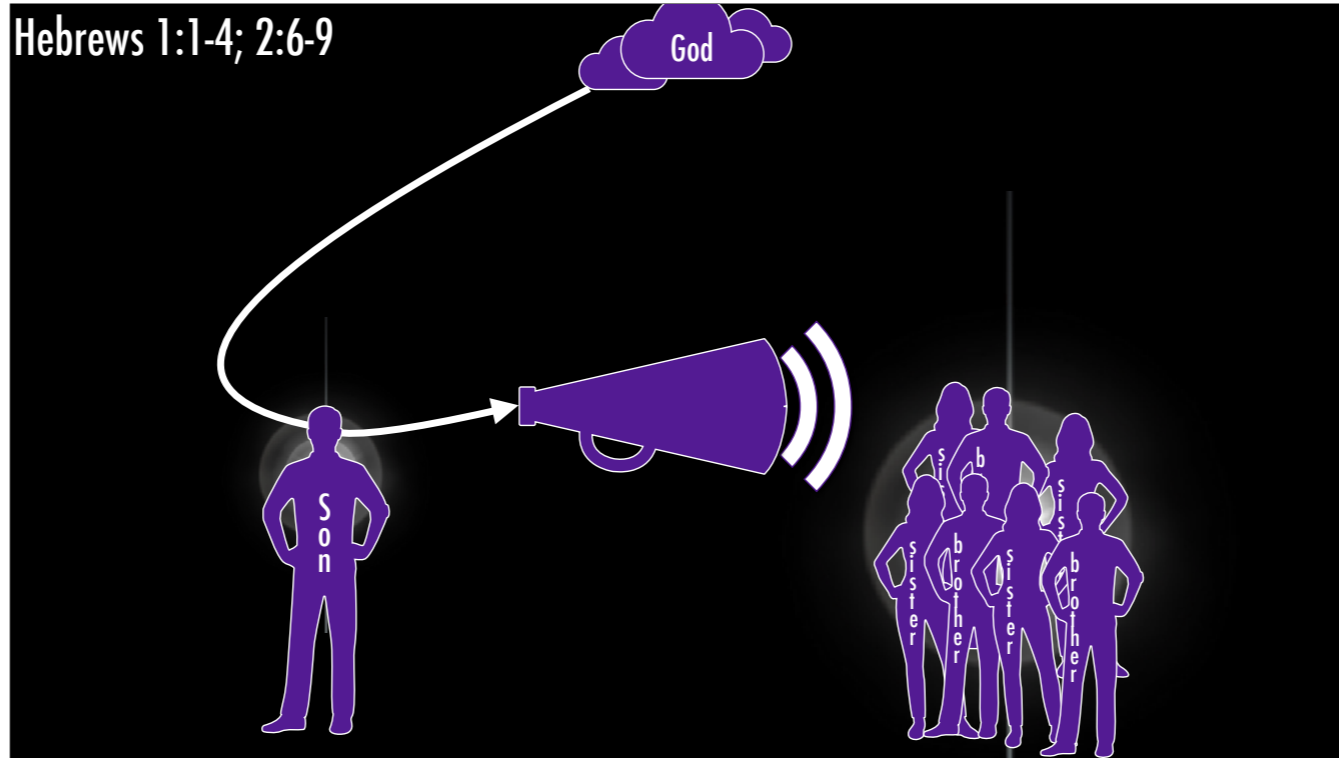


- provided we suffer with him
- in order that we may also be glorified with him.
- Bringing Many Sons to Glory
 - Loving Us
 - Saving Us
 - Giving us hope
 - Turning our hearts to Him
 - Believing in Him (Trusting)
 - Repenting of Sin
 - Confessing Him
 - Uniting with Him
 - Hope of Glory

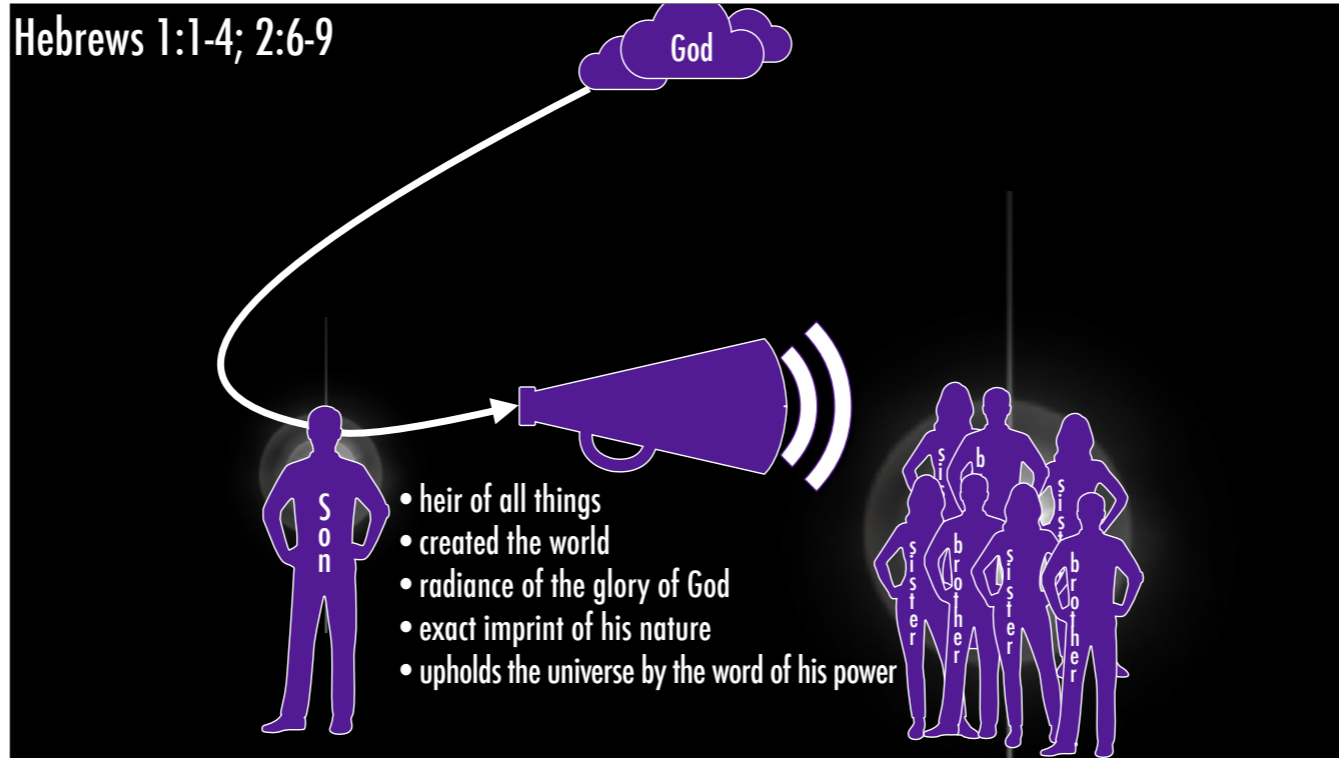
Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:6-9



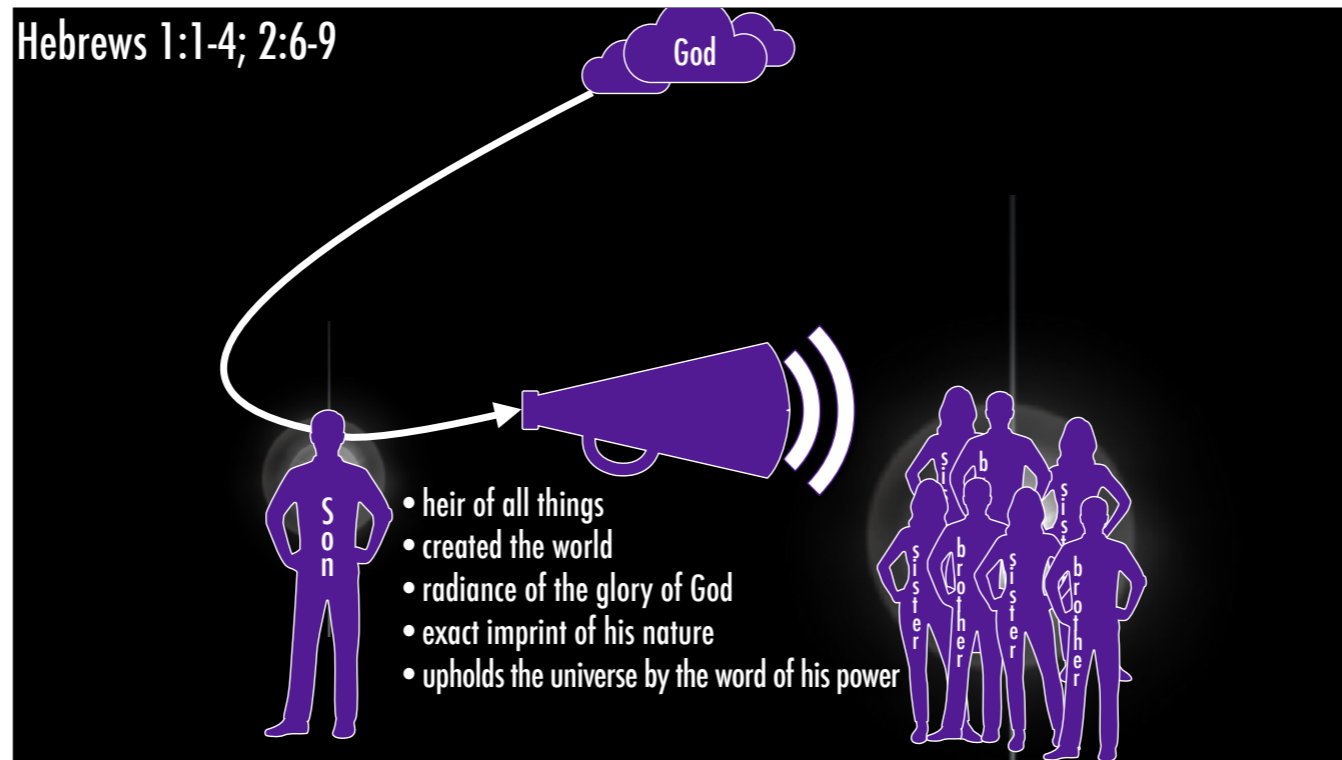
- Hebrews 1:1-4 (ESV) 1 Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets,



- 2 but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son,



- whom he appointed the heir of all things,
- through whom also he created the world.
- 3 He is the radiance of the glory of God
- and the exact imprint of his nature,
- and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.
- After making purification for sins,
- he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,
- 4 having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.



• Hebrews 2:6-9 (ESV)

- **“What is man, that you are mindful of him,**
- or the son of man, that you care for him?
- 7 You made him for a little while lower than the angels;
- you have crowned him with glory and honor,
- 8 putting everything in subjection under his feet.”
- 9 But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

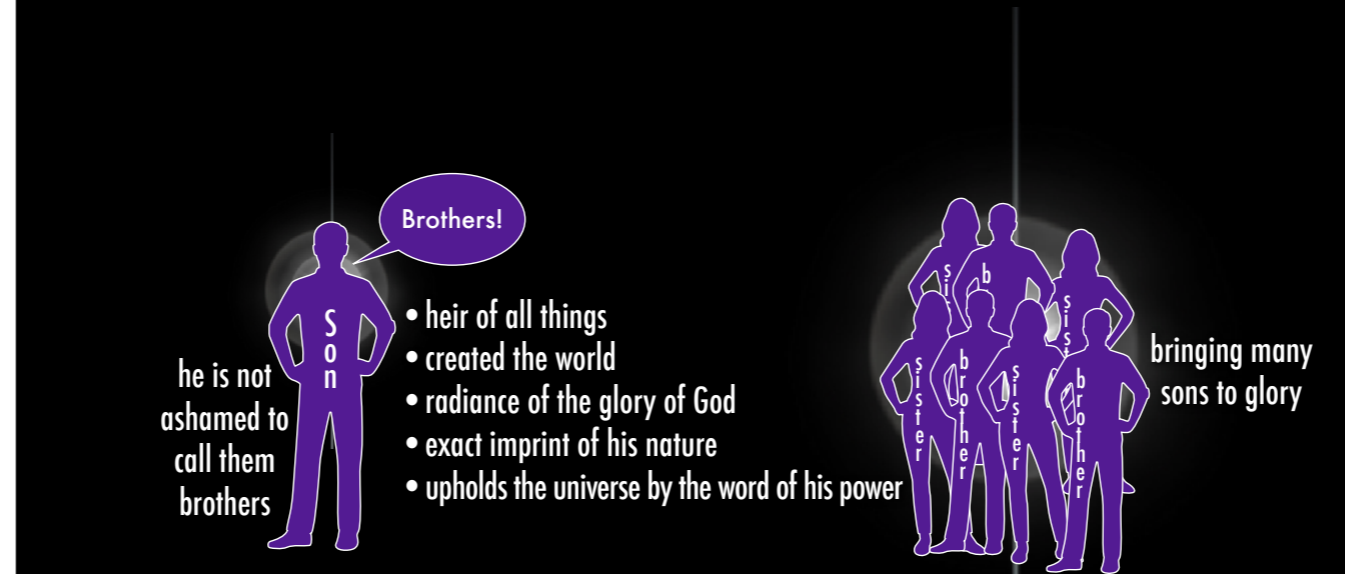
Hebrews 2:10 - 3:6



• Hebrews 2:10 - 3:6

- 10 For it was fitting that he,
- for whom and by whom all things exist,
- in bringing many sons to glory,
- should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering.

Hebrews 2:10 - 3:6

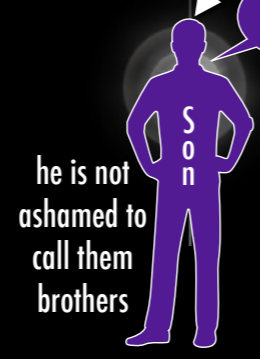


- That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers,
 - 12 saying, "I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise."
 - 13 And again, "I will put my trust in him."
 - And again, "Behold, I and the children God has given me."

Hebrews 2:10 - 3:6



the children share
in flesh and blood



he is not
ashamed to
call them
brothers

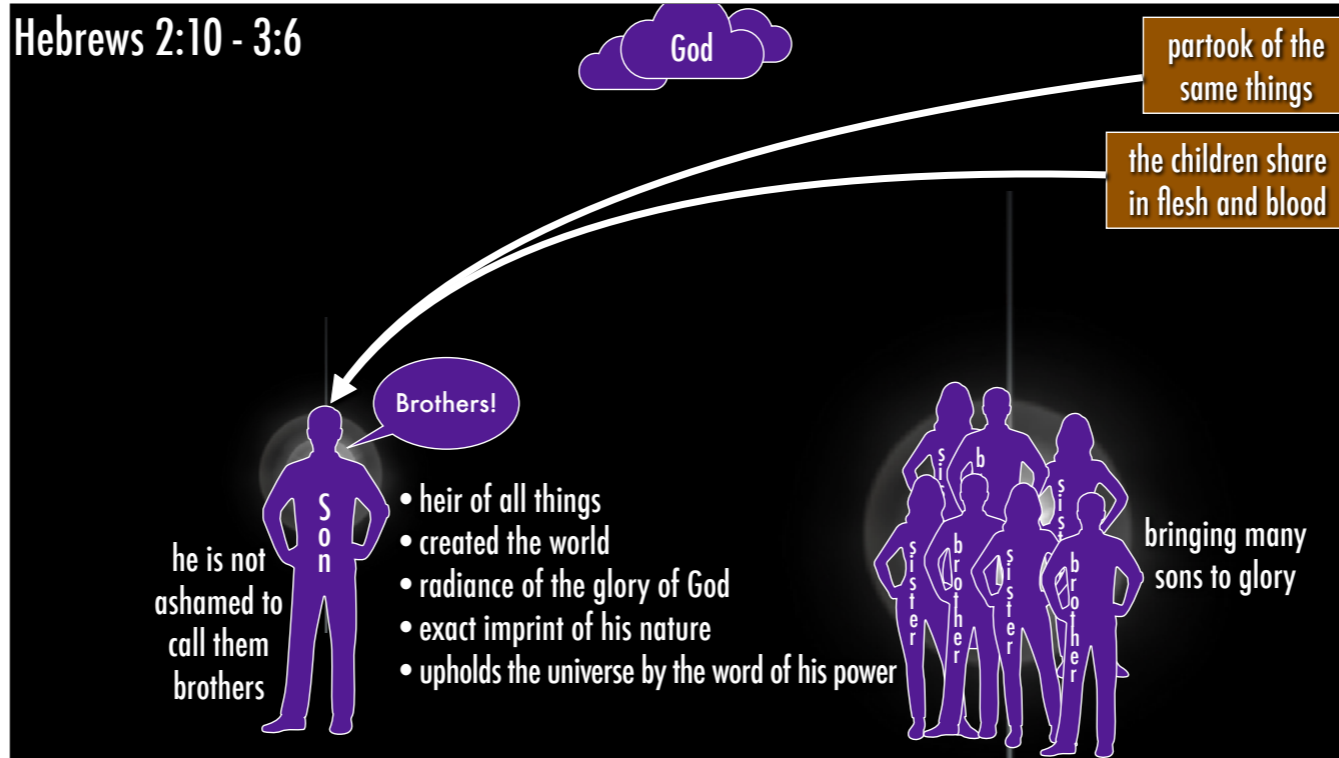
Brothers!

- heir of all things
- created the world
- radiance of the glory of God
- exact imprint of his nature
- upholds the universe by the word of his power

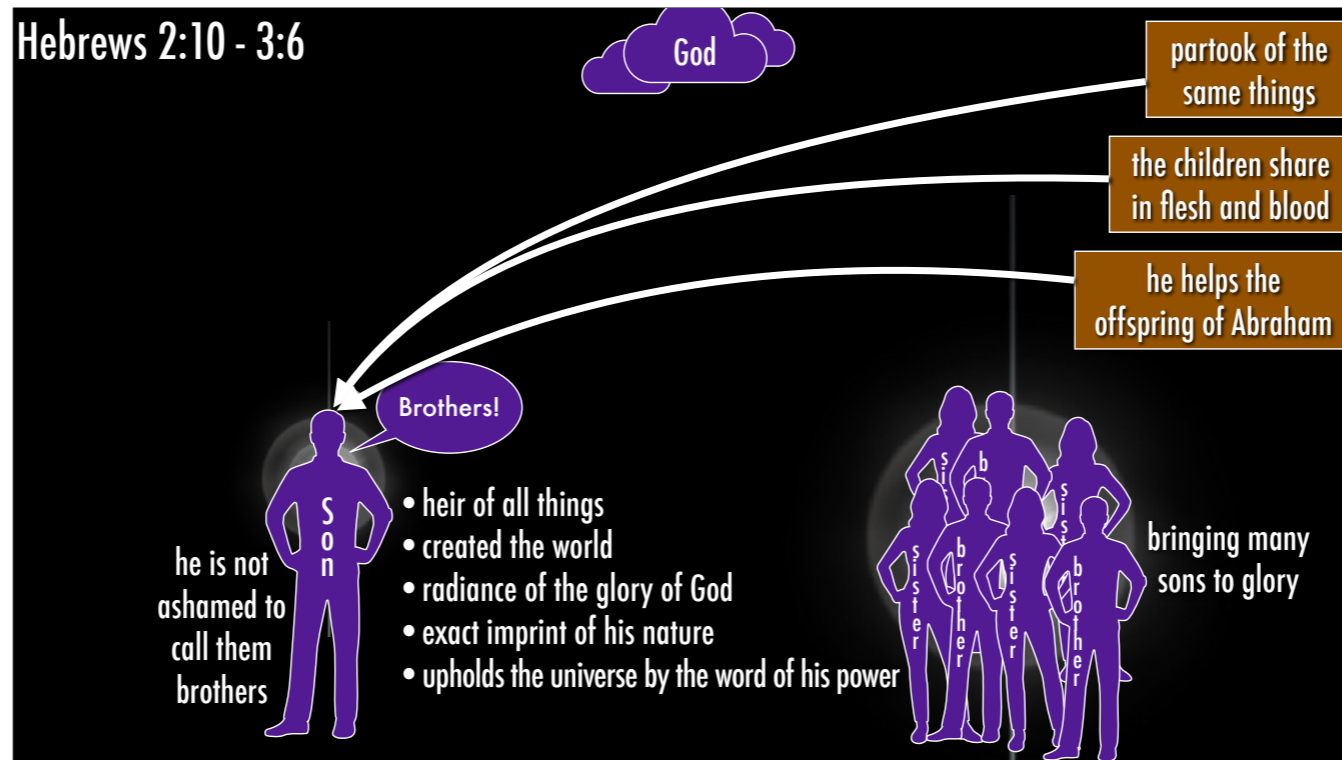


bringing many
sons to glory

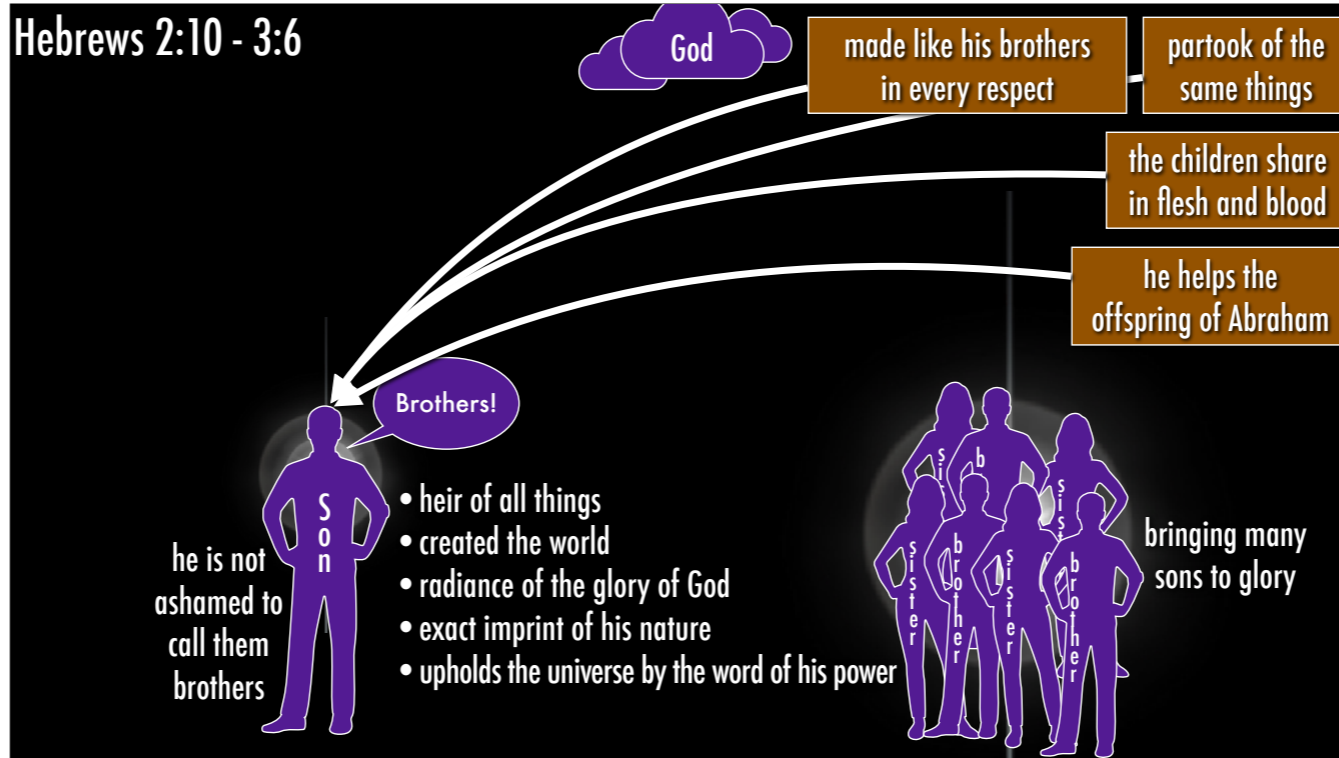
• 14 Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood,



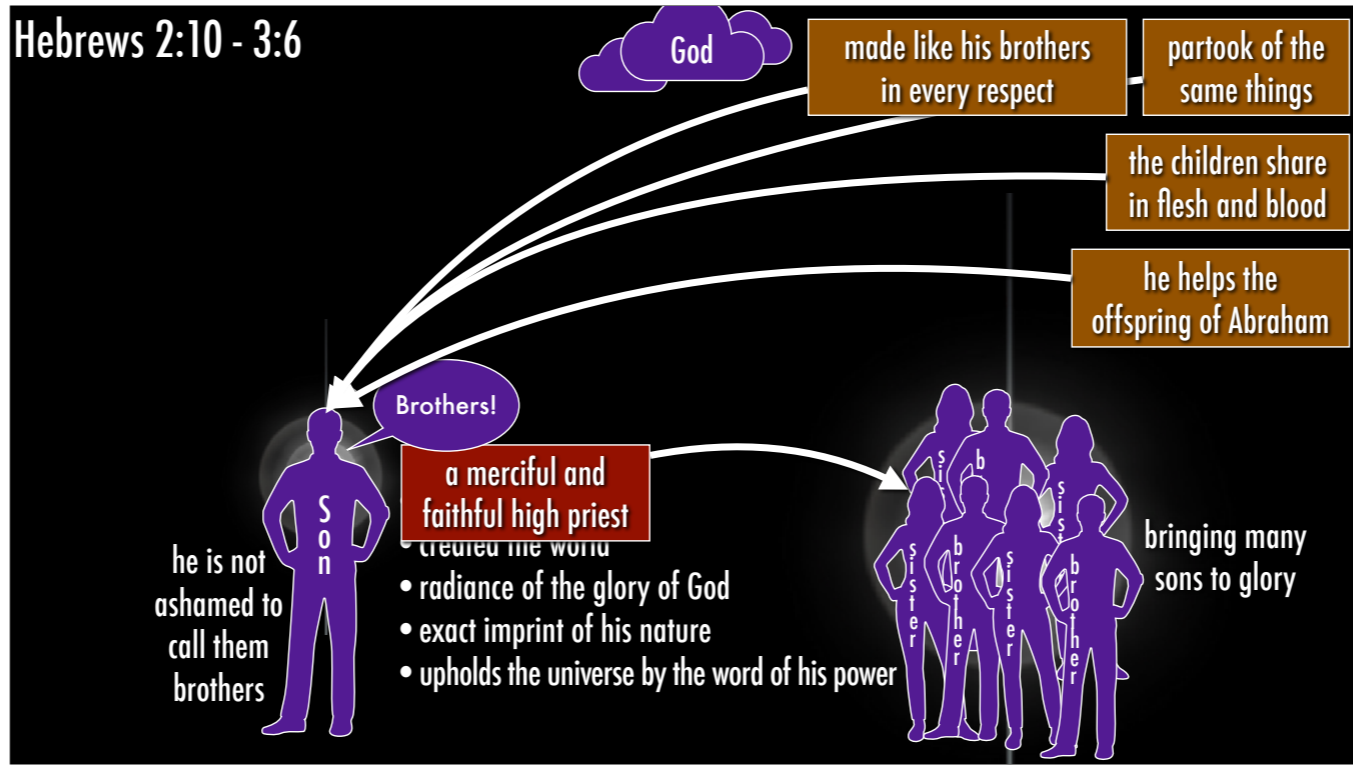
- he himself likewise partook of the same things,
- that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death,
- that is, the devil,
- 15 and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.



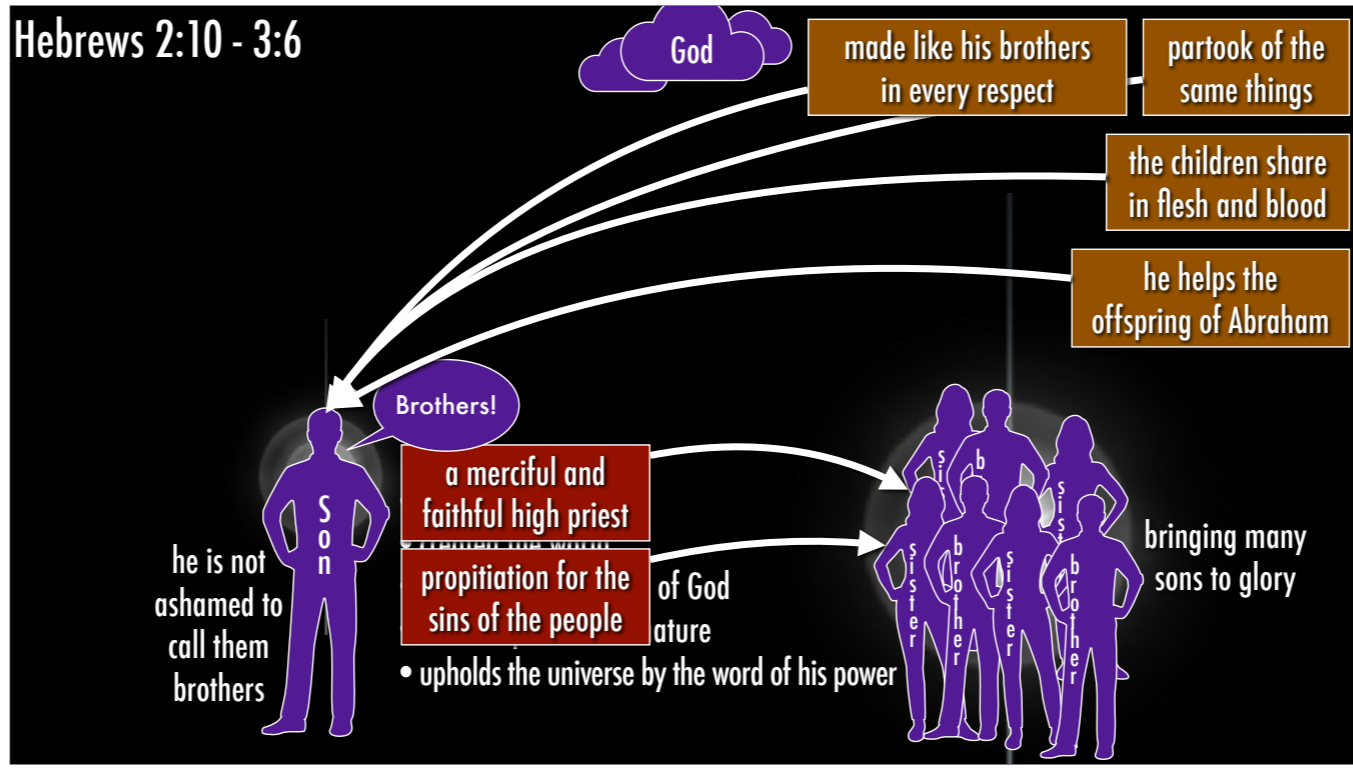
- 16 For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham.
 - Why does the writer speak of the offspring of Abraham?
 - Why not Adam? Which would imply helping all of us?
- Faith is more important than bloodlines!
 - Galatians 3:8-9 (ESV) 8 And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, "In you shall all the nations be blessed." 9 So then, those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.



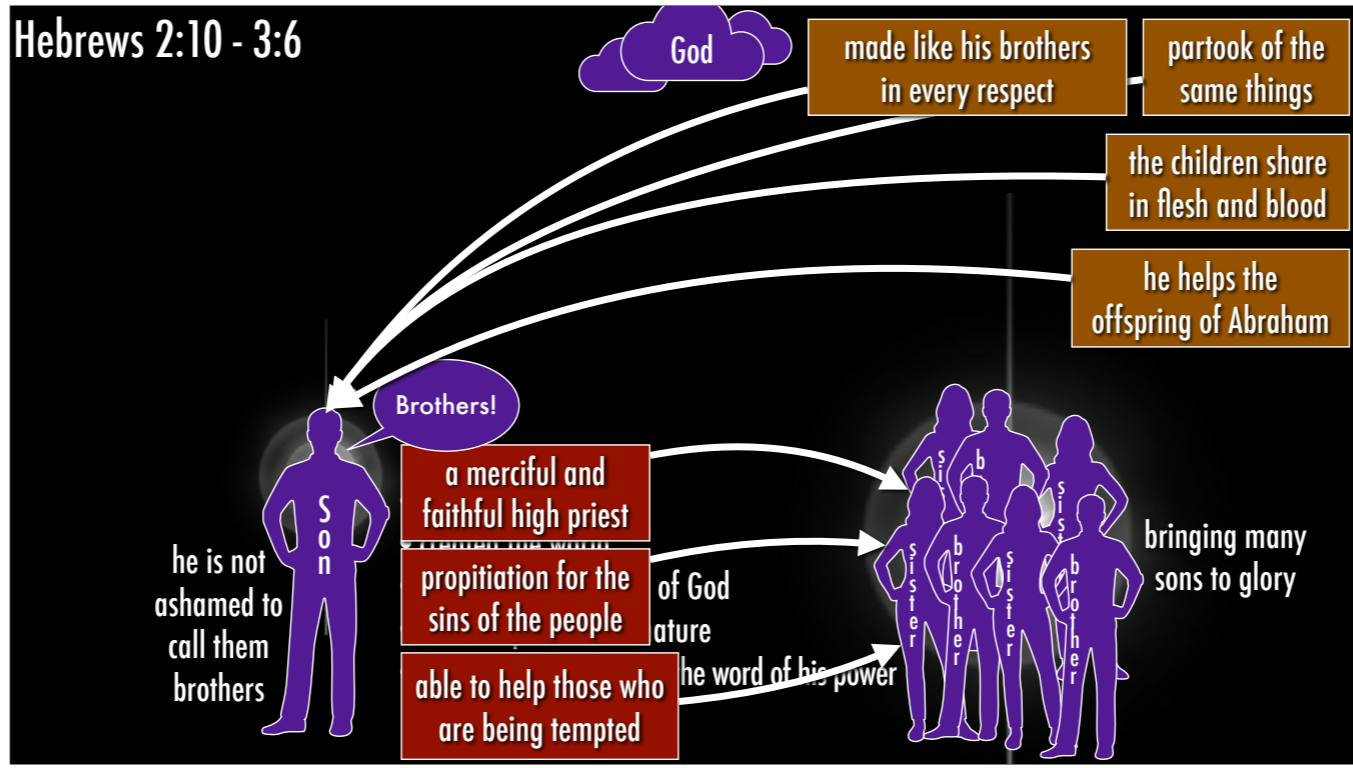
- 17 Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect,



- so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God,



- to make propitiation for the sins of the people.



- 18 For because he himself has suffered when tempted,
- he is able to help those who are being tempted.

Hebrews 2:10 - 3:6



made like his brothers
in every respect

partook of the
same things

the children share
in flesh and blood

he helps the
offspring of Abraham

HOLY BROTHERS

he is not
ashamed to
call them
brothers



Brothers!

a merciful and
faithful high priest

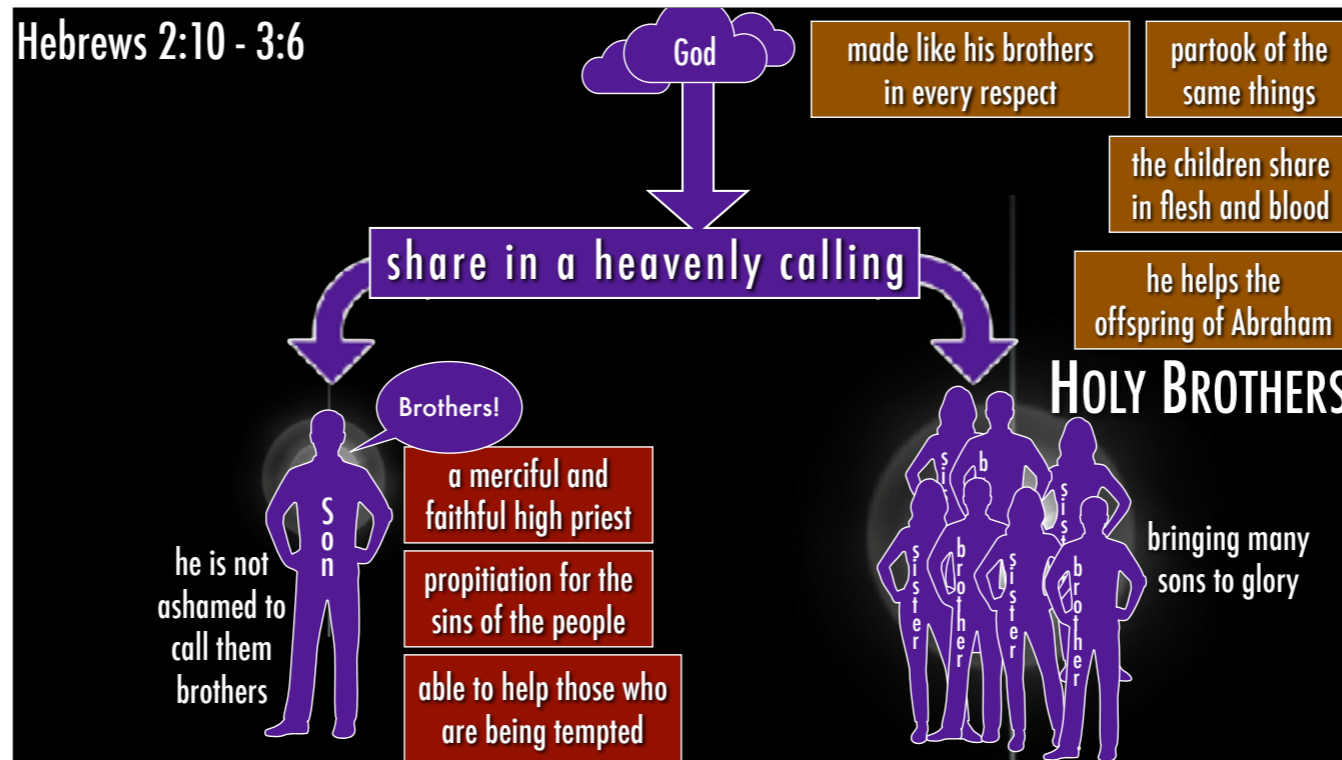
propitiation for the
sins of the people

able to help those who
are being tempted

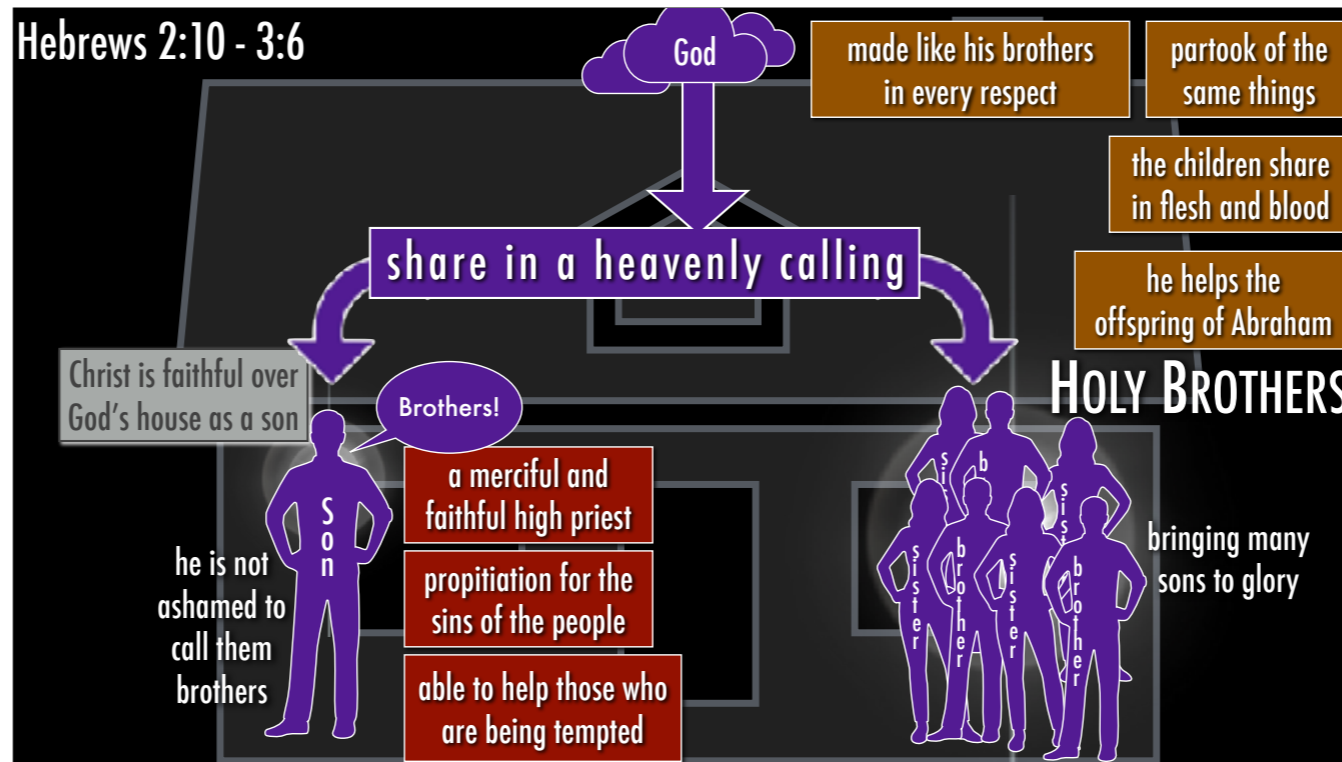


bringing many
sons to glory

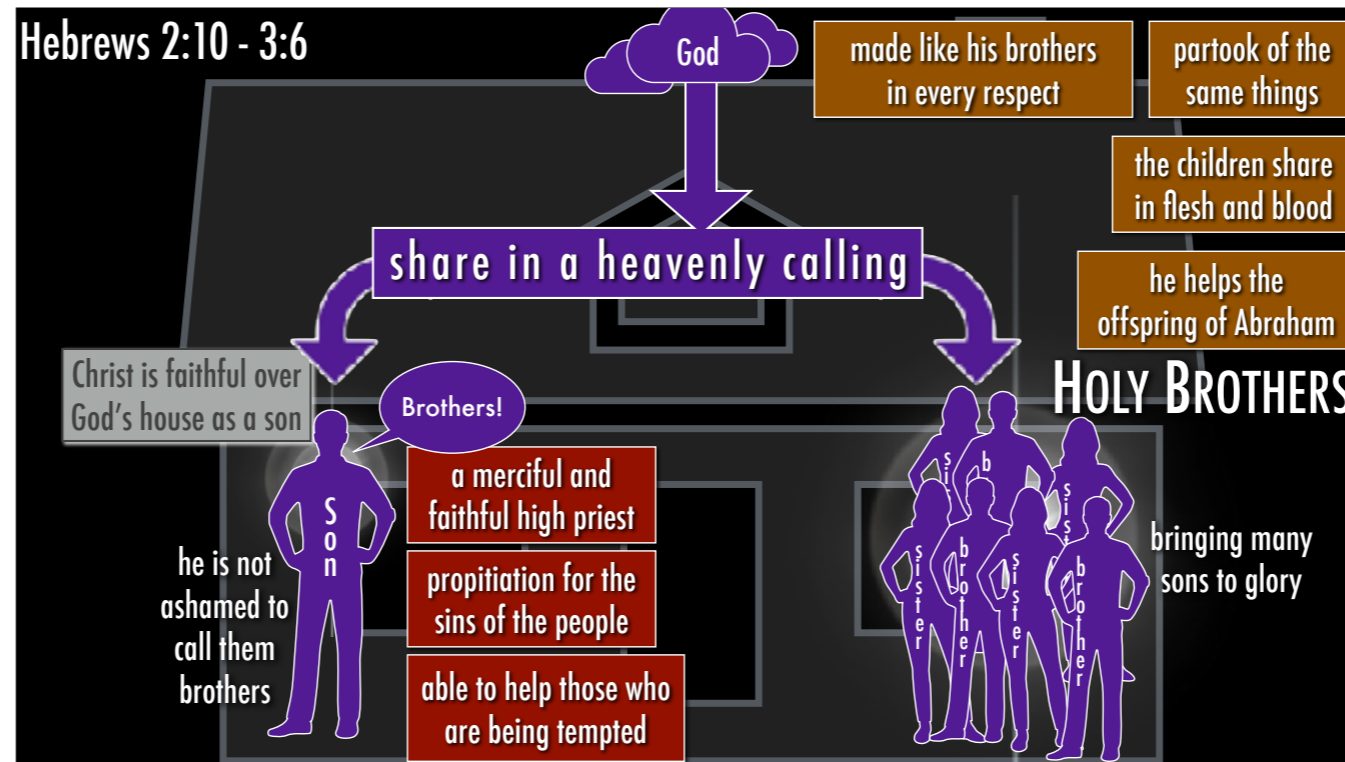
- 1 Therefore, holy brothers,
 - Sins have been covered ... made glorious
 - redeemed, purified
 - adopted and fellow heirs
- Our salvation is about much more than just forgiveness of sins (and that's really amazing)
 - Not only do we become glorious
 - But we are brought into a relationship
 - not just brothers
 - but holy brothers



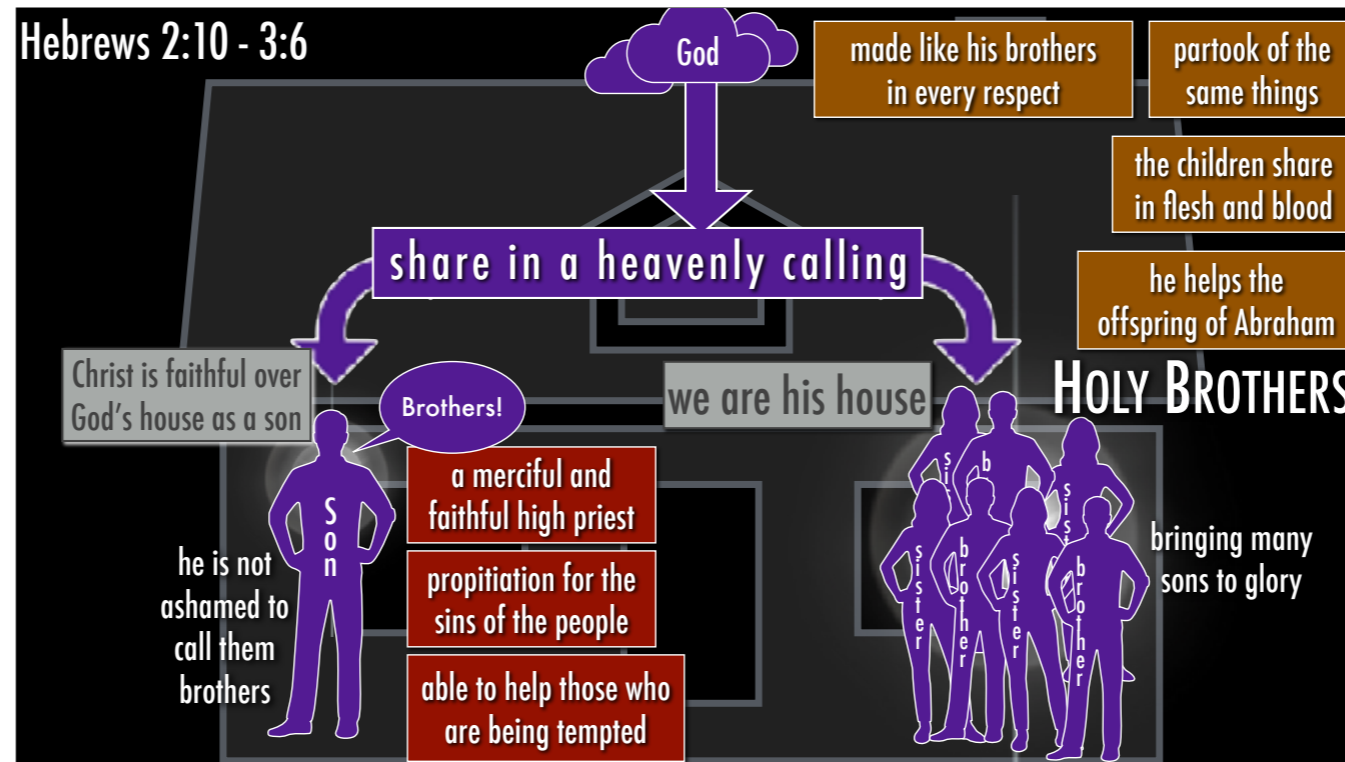
- you who share in a heavenly calling,
- **consider Jesus,**
 - Look at your big brother
 - What choices did he make and why?
 - Love, relationship, sharing
- the apostle and high priest of our confession,
-



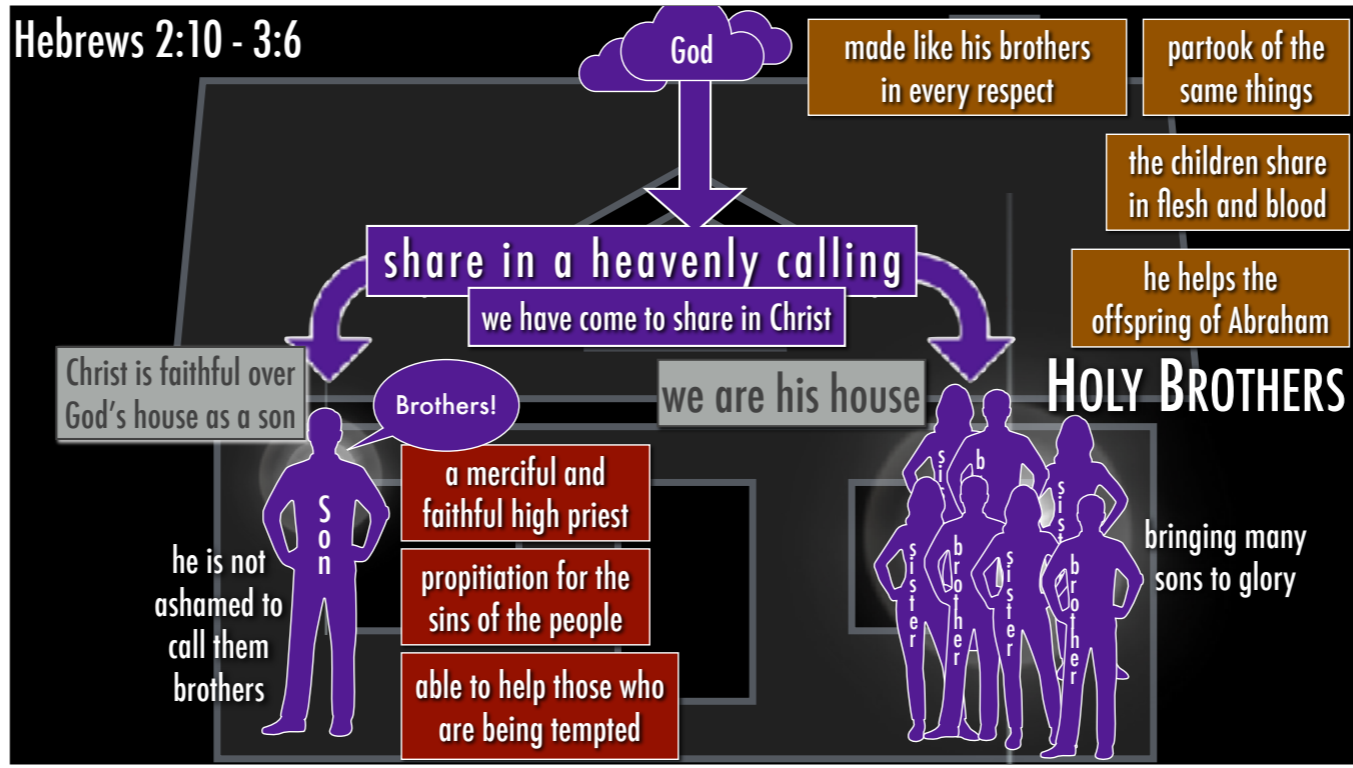
- 2 who was faithful to him who appointed him,
 - just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house.
 - 3 For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—
 - as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself.
 - 4 (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.)
 - 5 Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant,
 - to testify to the things that were to be spoken later,
- 6 but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son.



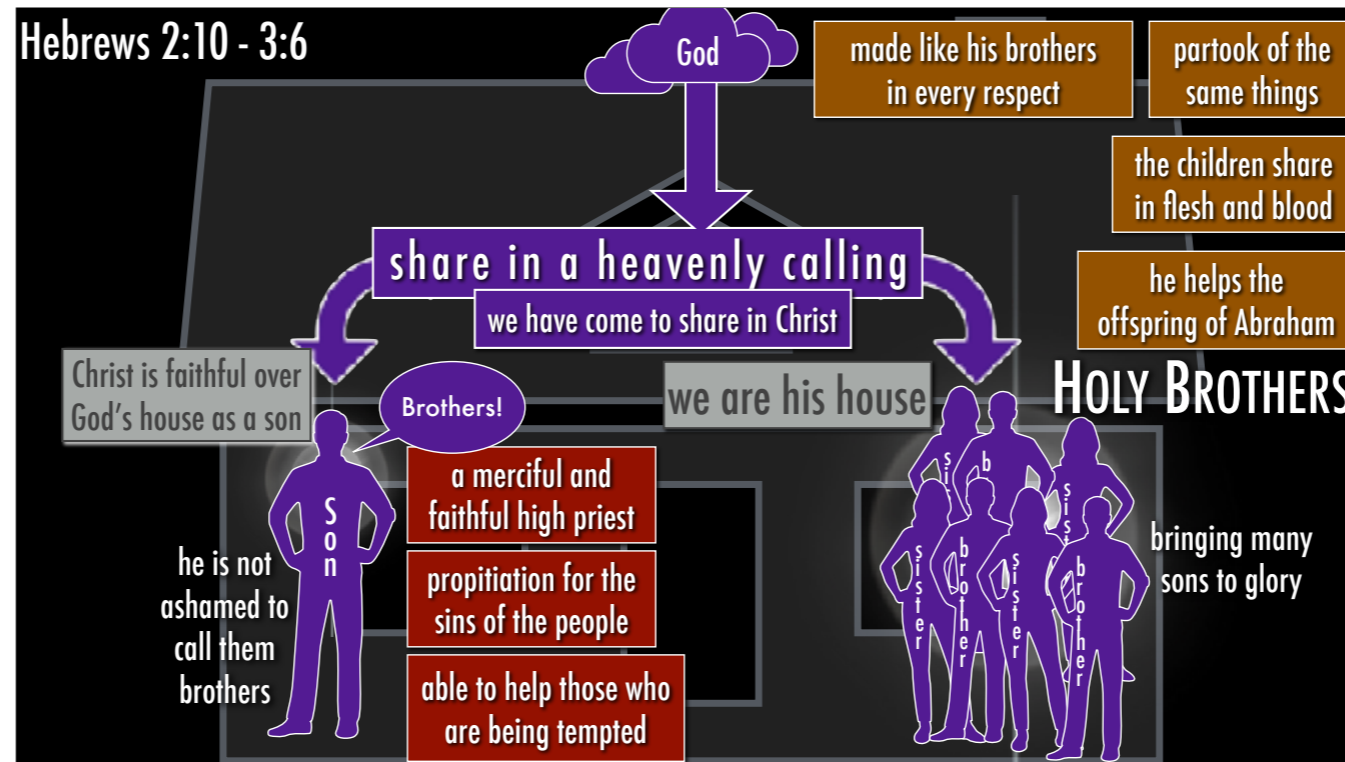
- TDNT
- 6. 'House of God' as a Primitive Christian Image for the Community.
 - Heb. 3:1ff. calls Moses a faithful servant in all God's house,
 - while Christ in contrast is faithful over God's house as a son.
 - In the OT 'my house' refers to Israel, so that the NT passage recalls the equation of house and community.
 - The glory of Moses relates to that of Christ as building does to builder.
 - Christ as the son builds the OT community and is thus set over it.
 - Believers are this house if they hold fast their confidence. (Faith?)



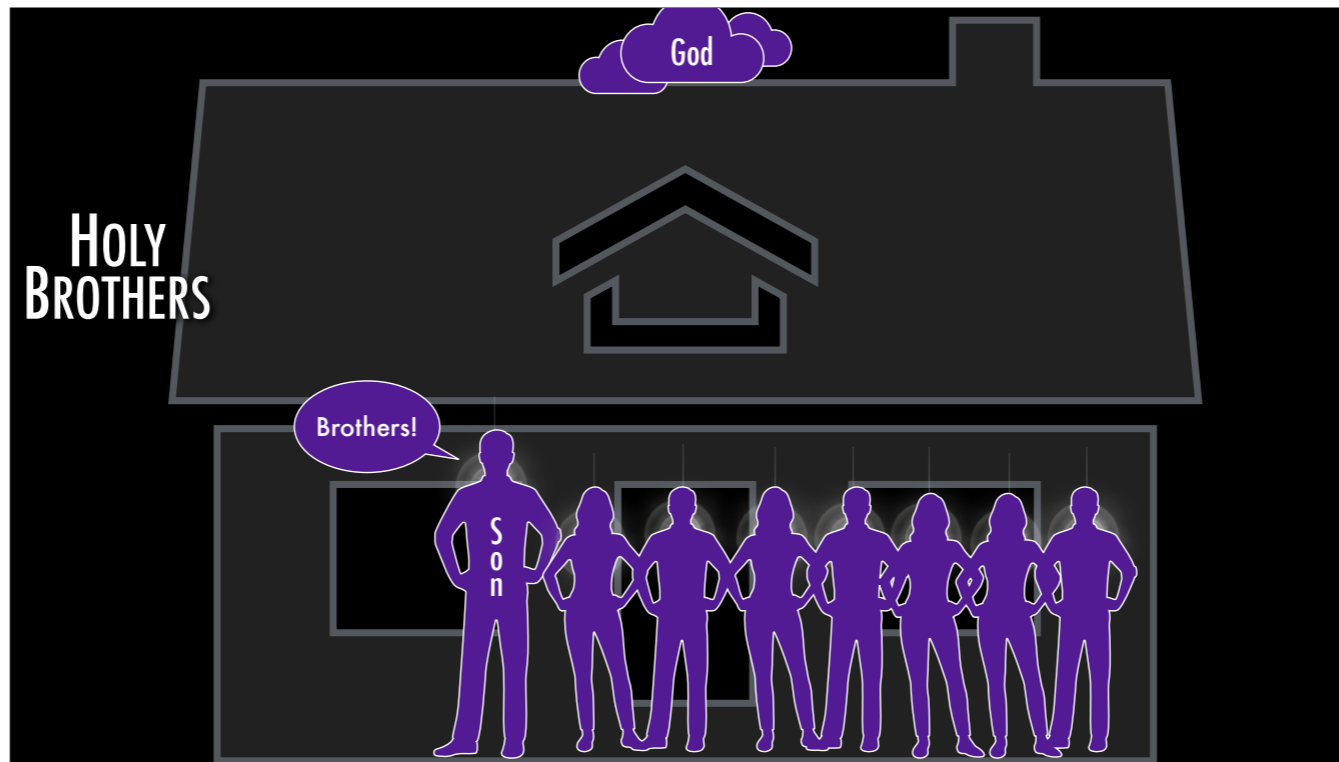
- And we are his house,
 - if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.



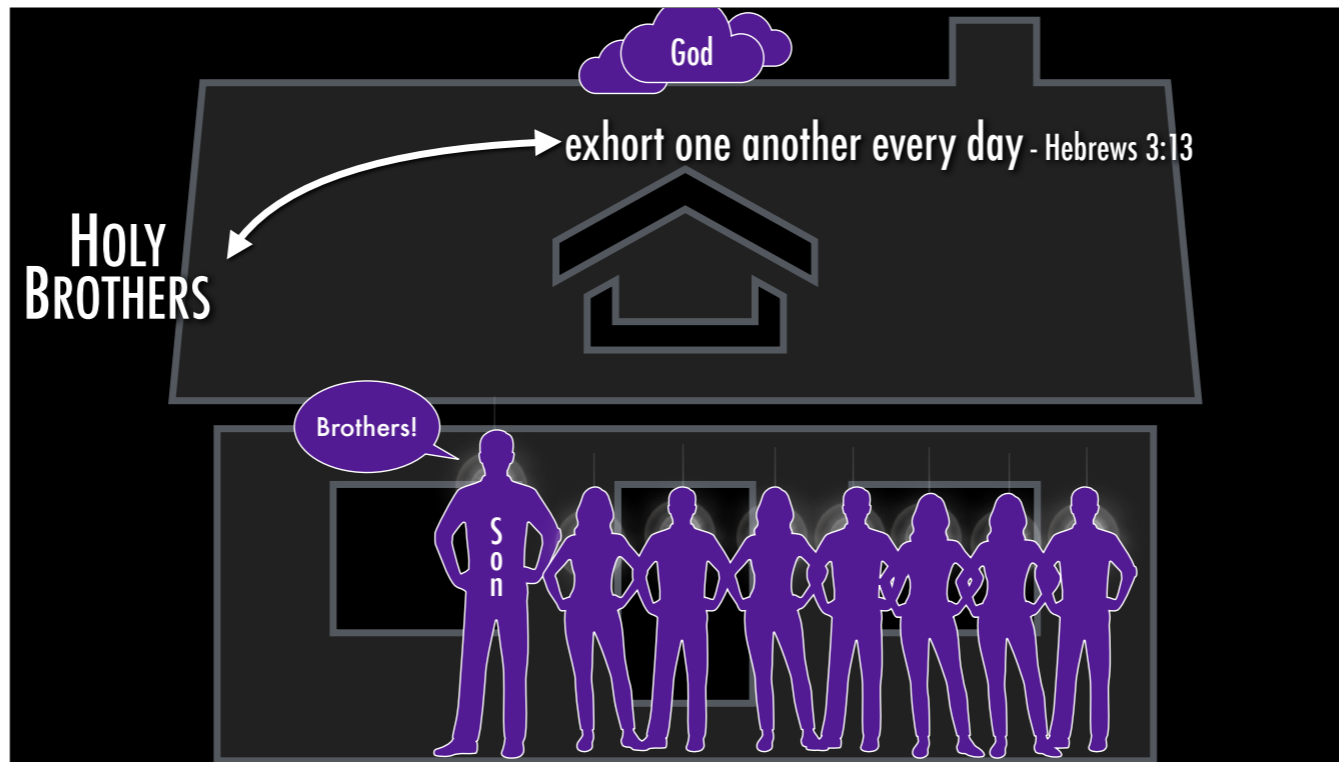
- 14 For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end.



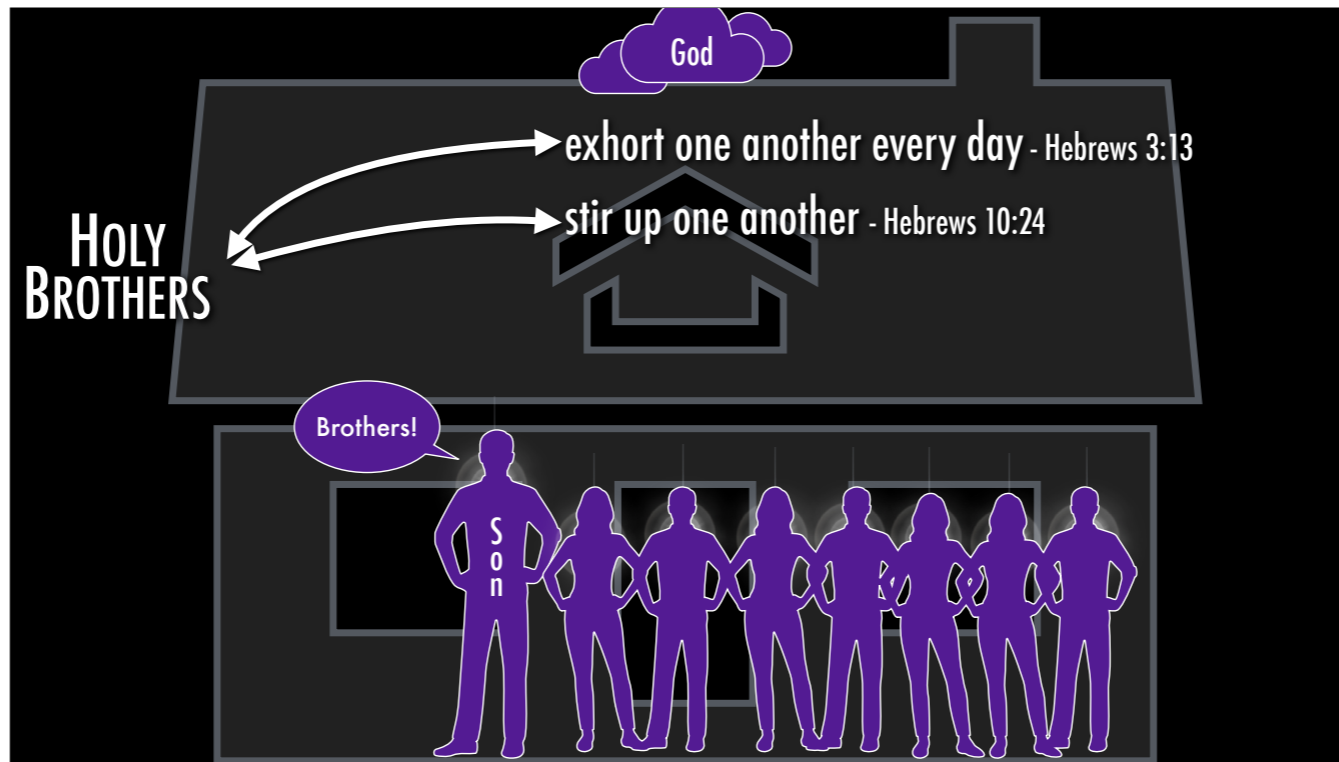
- Hebrews 3:12-14 (ESV) 12 Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. 13 But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.
- fall away from the living God
 - not just sinning?
 - in the context of what has been said before, falling away might also be about leaving the family?
 - As we’ve been looking at God’s people during the judges (and even before)
 - What God cares about more than anything is being faithful to him.



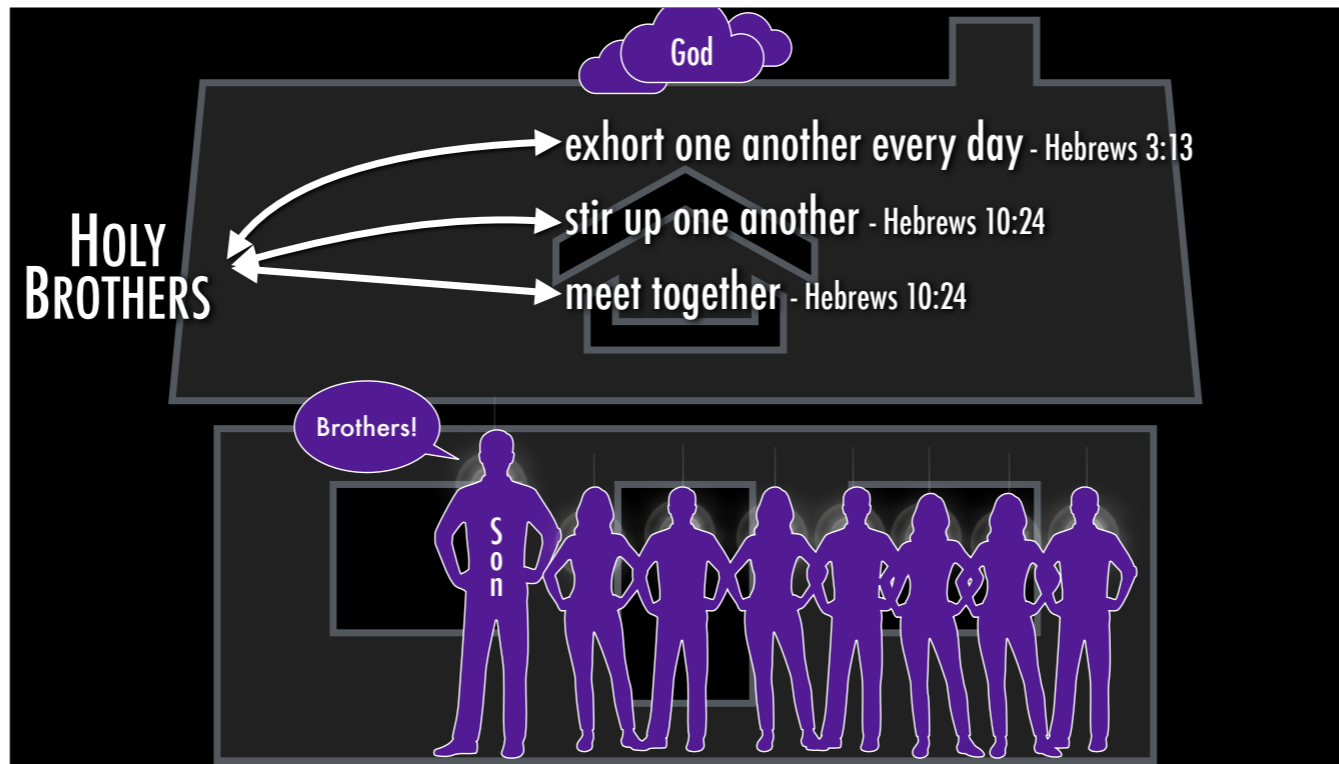
- Let's Consider Jesus and what it means to be holy brothers
- The writer gives us insight ... I'm just going to point out a few things.
- Hebrews 3:12-14
 - **Take care, brothers,**
 - lest there be **in any of you** an evil, unbelieving heart,
 - leading you to fall away from the living God.



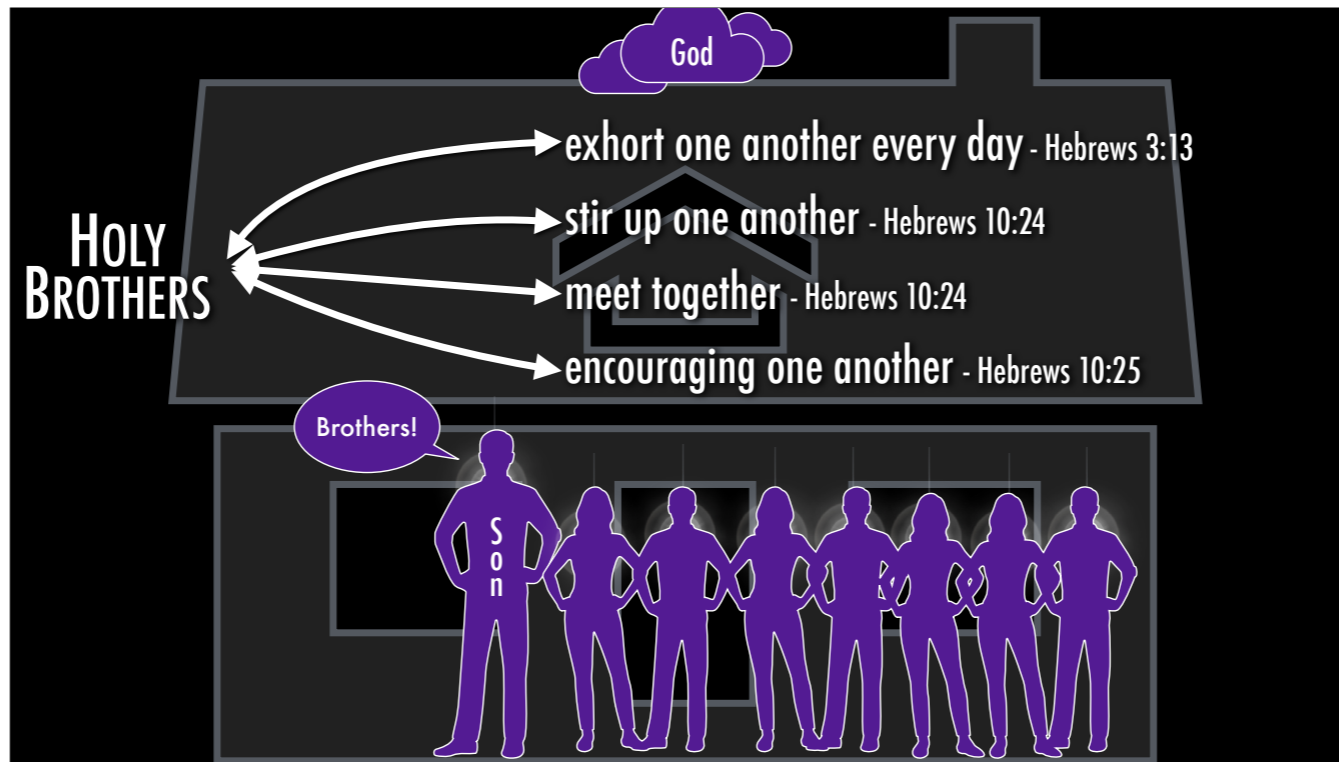
- 13 But exhort one another every day,
 - as long as it is called “today,”
 - that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.
 - 14 For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end.



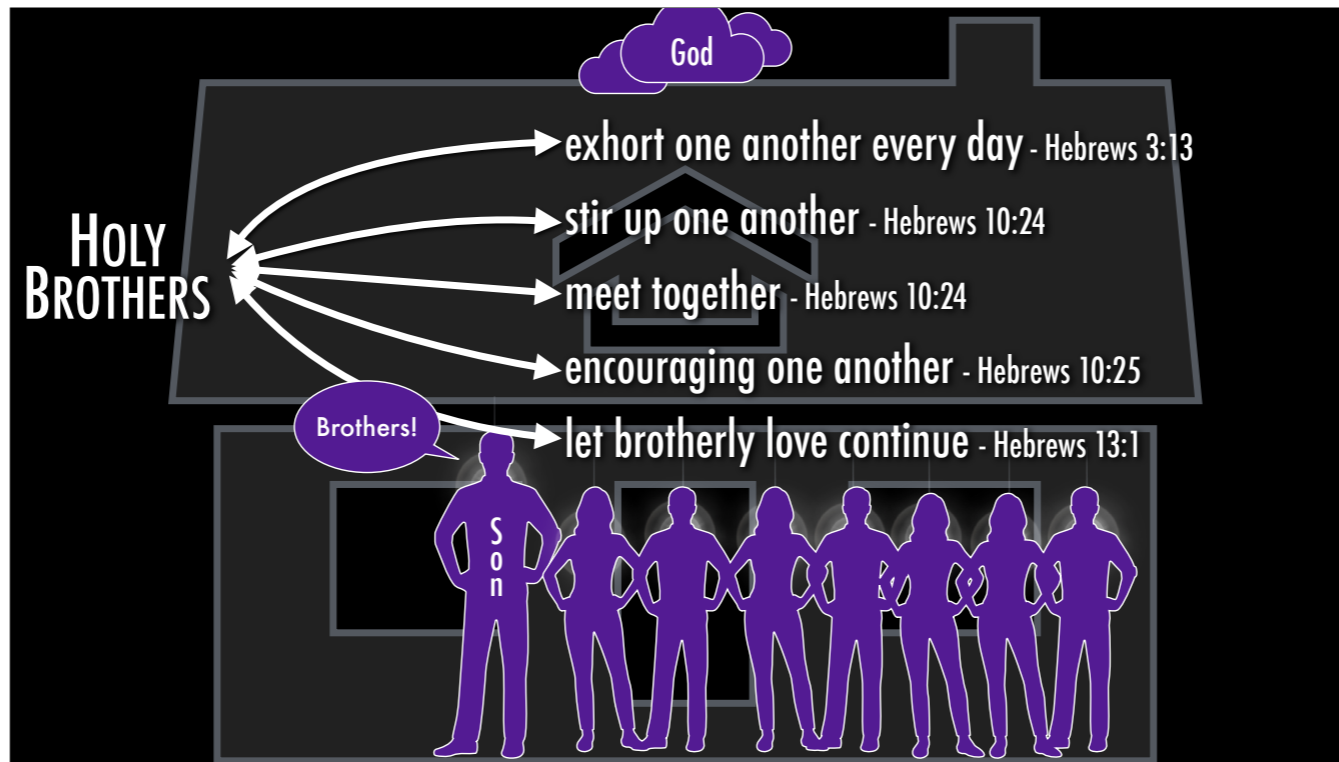
- Hebrews 10:24-25
 - And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works



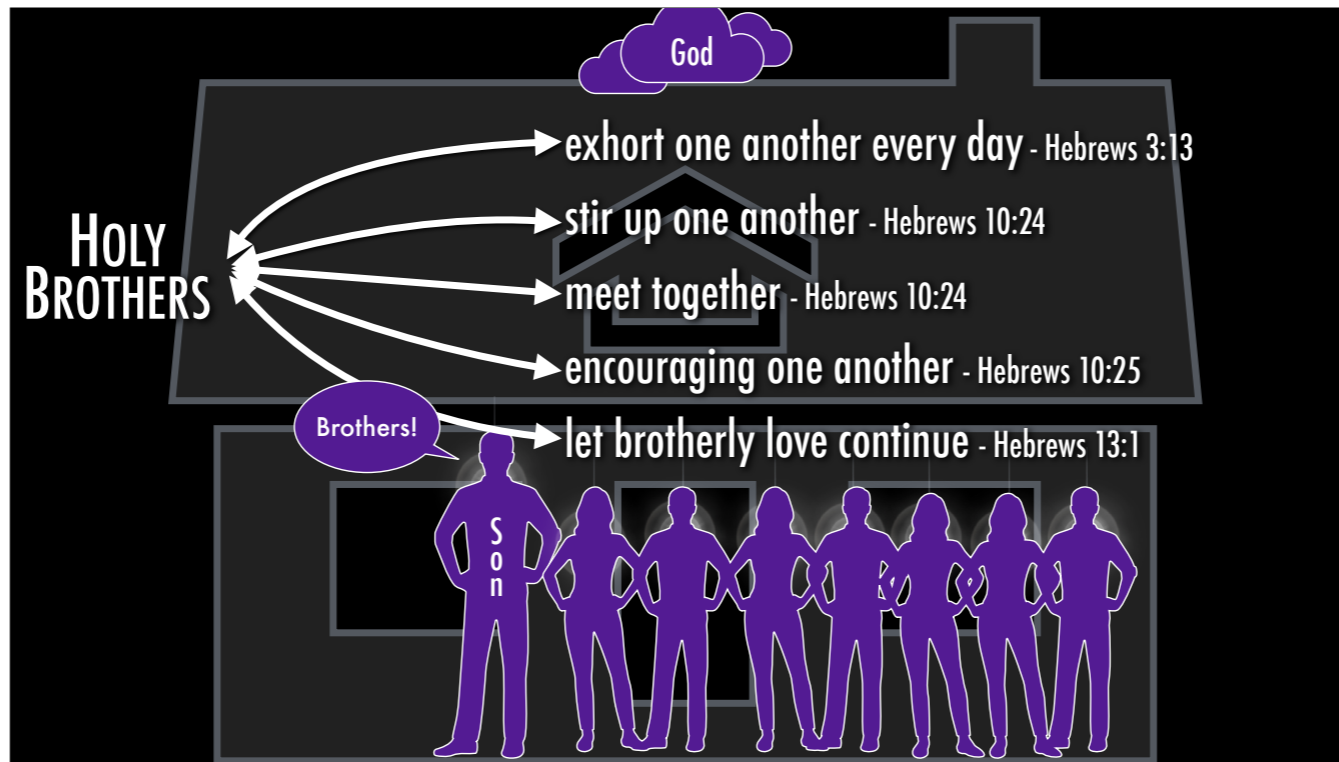
- 25 not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some,



- but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.



- Hebrews 13:1 Let brotherly love continue.
 - Hospitality to strangers, those in prison
 - Marriage
 - Leaders
 - Pray for us



God

HOLY BROTHERS

exhort one another every day - Hebrews 3:13

stir up one another - Hebrews 10:24

meet together - Hebrews 10:24

encouraging one another - Hebrews 10:25

Brothers!

let brotherly love continue - Hebrews 13:1

Son



HOLY BROTHERS

- We've been adopted back God's house, glorious and holy, heirs with Christ
- As brothers and sisters
 - Jesus sets the example for us of how must treat each other
 - Sadly, we often fail to appreciate how important this relationship is
 - We've often tended to focus on other ways of describing Christ's church:
 - organization, membership
 - Even focusing on our time together as primarily praising God and honoring him.
 - and failing to remember that we are also to focus on each other.



- Do you feel like we are brothers and sisters?
 - Why or why not?
 - What am I going to do to make things better between us?

We implore you
on behalf of Christ,
be reconciled to God.

2 Corinthians 5:20

Photo Credits:

All photos from istockphoto.com, crestock.com, bigstock.com, dreamtime.com, thinkstock.com, and shutterstock.com are copyright protected. They are used by permission. Please do not reuse without permission.)

<https://pixabay.com/photos/kids-chikdren-sister-brother-gradd-1878687/>

<https://pixabay.com/photos/children-rain-to-stroll-umbrella-1430985/>

Holy Brothers

Hebrews 2:6 - 3:6

Synopsis: In bringing many sons to glory, our Father is also adopting us into his house so that we are brothers and sisters with Jesus and with one another. He even refers to us as holy brothers. What implications does this have for our relationship with Jesus and with each other?

Unless otherwise indicated, all Scripture quotations are from The Holy Bible, English Standard Version, copyright © 2001 by Crossway Bibles, a division of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

“Let all that you do be done with love.”