Jesus is the Same (A Study in Christology - Part 1)

Hebrews 13:8

Context: Hebrews 13:7-19 addresses specific ways that Christians should honor church leaders. In verse 8, the writer of Hebrews is emphasizing how Christians should remember that Christ is always the same and judge every teaching according to the gospel.

Because lesus is the same...

- His eternal past (vs. 8a)The Author of Hebrews shares with us Christ's eternal past and work in Creation: Hebrews 1:2-4.
- 2. Other passages that speak to the eternal nature of Jesus include Micah 5:2, Isaiah 9:6, John 1:1-3, and John 8:56-58.

_____ His work today (vs. 8b)

- 1. His work of Salvation Hebrews 4:7-10 speaks of Jesus offering salvation "Today."
- 2. His work of Intercession Hebrews 7:23-25 (ESV) "The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, 24 but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. 25 Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them."

_____ firm in His future (vs. 8c)

- 1. "Believers have the assurance that Christ, whose work and person has been celebrated in detail throughout this letter, has a glorious immutability and constancy as Mediator through all the ups and downs that might await them." (Joel Beeke)
- 2. "The unchanging nature of Christ grounds the exhortations found in chapter 13. The God of the Bible does not change. The truth does not change. Our faith and its teachings do not change. We possess a faith once for all delivered to God's holy people (Jude 3)." (Al Mohler)