# **Journal Page**

- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey?
   How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

#### **FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS**

- How did Jesus bring the new covenant?
- Why is the new covenant better than the old covenant?
- How do we become part of the new covenant?

#### **Jesus Is Better**

Hebrews 1-8

## STORY POINT: JESUS, OUR GREAT HIGH PRIEST, BROUGHT A BETTER COVENANT.

The early church was made up of believers who were persecuted for following Jesus. Because their lives had become difficult, many believers began to wonder if following Jesus was worth it. The Holy Spirit helped a Christian leader write words of encouragement to the early church in the Book of Hebrews. He wrote:

"Long ago, God spoke to His people through prophets. Now He speaks through Jesus. Jesus is God the Son, and He is like God in every way.

"Jesus humbled Himself to become lower than the angels for a time when He became a man. Jesus became a person like us to die and then rise again. Jesus' work rescues people from sin. All who believe in Him become His brothers and sisters. Because Jesus suffered and was tempted, He is able to help us when we are tempted.

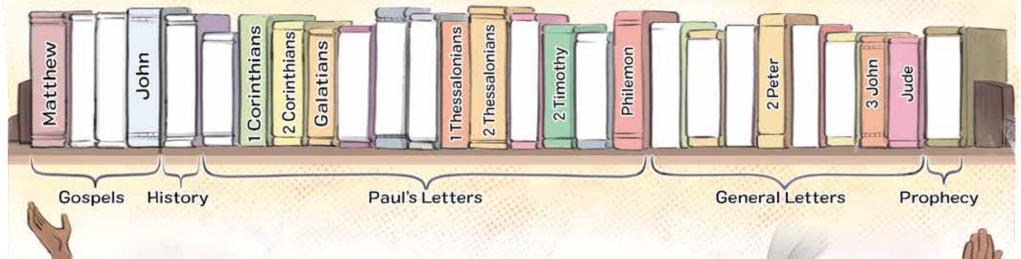
"This is why Jesus is the greatest!

He is greater than Moses, who was a faithful servant of God. Jesus was an even better servant. Jesus knows our weaknesses because He became a human and was tempted, although He never sinned. Because of Jesus, we can approach God with boldness; and God will give us mercy and grace. This is why Jesus is better than anything and why we cannot turn away from Him. Salvation is found only in Jesus!"

Christ Connection: Jesus is better than anyone and anything. He is the better Prophet, the better Priest, and the better King. Everyone who trusts in Jesus has salvation from sin through His perfect life, death, and resurrection.

### A Look at the Books

Fill in the missing names of the New Testament books in order. Circle the 19th book.





Circle the statement if it describes Jesus. Cross it out if it describes an earthly high priest.

Made a sacrifice for his own sin (Hebrews 5:3)

Sacrificed Himself (John 10:17)

Was priest only until he died (Leviticus 16:32)

Is our high priest forever (Hebrews 7:25)

Made sacrifices every year (Leviticus 16:32-34)

Made one sacrifice (Hebrews 1:3)

Is a merciful and faithful priest (Hebrews 2:17)

Is a sympathetic priest (Hebrews 4:14-16)

