

Chapter 19

Where do we see Jesus now?

"But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone" (Hebrews 2:9).

In the other contrast we saw Jesus higher than the angels; here we see Him lower than the angels. Why? Because man was made lower than the angels, and then by sin went even still lower. We see Jesus where man is since man sinned and became subject to death. So certainly as it is true that Jesus was where God is, so certainly He has come to where man is.

He who was with God where God is, is with man where man is. And He who was with God as God is, is with man as man is. And He who was one with God as God is, is one with man as man is. And so, as certainly as His was the nature of God,

so certainly His is the nature of man here.

"For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of one" (verse 11). It was Christ and God in heaven-one in nature. How is He with man on earth? "All of one." He is not ashamed to call us "brethren," and "in the midst of the assembly I will sing praise to You," He says (verse 12). That time is coming soon, when Christ in the midst of the church will lead the singing. He who was one with God has become one of man. We will follow the thought further tomorrow. [1]

"We have not a High Priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin." (Hebrews 4:15 KJV)

Note:

Jones, General Conference Bulletin, 1895, p. 232.