

The Word Became Flesh 3 – Hebrews 2:5-18
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In Hebrews chapter 2, He who was “so much *better* than the angels” (1:4) is now “made a little *lower* than the angels” (2:9). This statement is a reference to the humanity of Christ, leaving the author of Hebrews to explain the purpose of the incarnation. Why did the Son of God have to become a human being? Chapter 2 provides us with at least four answers:

1. So that He could *die for* us (2:9).
2. So that He could *identify with* us (2:10-13).
 - a. *Purpose* of His identification—*bringing sons to glory*.
 - b. *Perfection* of His identification—*through suffering*.
 - c. *Extent* of His identification—*not ashamed to call us brethren*.

Psalm 22:22 -

Isaiah 8:17c-18a –

3. So that He could *deliver* us (2:14-16).
 - a. From the *prince* of death (14)
 - b. From the *power* of death (14)
 - c. From the *fear* of death (15)