HEBREWS CATECHISM

Q1: What is the book of Hebrews about?
Hebrews teaches us that Jesus Christ is the fulfillment and surpassing glory of the Old Covenant, and therefore we must hold fast to Him in faith. He is better than anything that came before Him.

The outline of Hebrews is as follows:

- **Jesus is greater than the angels and the Torah (chapters 1-2)**
- **Jesus is greater than Moses and the Promised Land (chapters 3-4)**
- **Jesus is greater than the Old Testament priesthood (chapters 5-7)**
- **Jesus is greater than the Old Testament sacrifices and the covenant (chapters 8-10)**
- **Encouragement to remain faithful to Jesus (chapters 11-13)**

Q2: How does Hebrews show that Jesus is greater than the angels and the Torah? (Chapters 1-2)
Hebrews shows that Jesus is the one through whom God has spoken His final and definitive Word to us, is the Son of God who rules over creation, is greater than the angels, and makes us a sanctified people to rule along with Him.

Q3: How does Hebrews show that Jesus is greater than Moses and the Promised Land? (Chapters 3-4)
Jesus is greater than Moses because He is the faithful Son over God's house. He will give His people a rest over all creation, not just the Promised Land. God help us be believing to keep moving toward that rest!

Q4: How does Hebrews show that Jesus is greater than the Old Testament priests? (Chapters 5-7)
Jesus is the great High Priest according to the order of Melchizedek, whose priesthood is eternal and superior to the temporary Levitical priesthood. He saves to the uttermost!

Q5: How does Hebrews show that Jesus is greater than the Old Testament sacrifices and covenant? (Chapters 8-10)
Jesus offered Himself once for all as the perfect sacrifice and mediator of a better covenant, securing the forgiveness of sins, obedience from our heart, and bringing us into the presence of God.

Q6: Why should we remain faithful to Jesus? (Chapters 11-13)
Because Jesus' sacrifice and resurrection makes perfect the faith of the Old Testament saints, He chastises us for holiness, He brings the eternal Kingdom and gives us grace to fear God, and His blood makes us complete to do every good work. Go forward in this "last days" glory!

Q7: What are we to make of the five warnings in Hebrews? (2:1-4; 4:1; 6:4-6; 10:26-31; 12:25-29; one in each of our sections)
We are take them seriously, not turning back but moving ahead in God's Son as the full and final word for finding rest in God's new creation as His new covenant people, cleansed, sanctified, and being sanctified.