

Hebrews: Jesus is Greater

Jesus is Great as the Son of God

HEBREWS 1:4-15

Overview

The letter of Hebrews is a sermon written to a church during a time of great persecution both from the government and from family because of their faith in Christ. Quite often in times of persecution, we are tempted to compromise what we believe to lessen the persecution or attempt to fit in better. If the people to whom this sermon was given could find a way to rationalize that Jesus was just another angel, perhaps even a great angel, then they would be welcome back home again, back to their jobs, gain their inheritance back, and even back to the synagogue. But friends there is no compromise to be made, the question we must ask is, do we trust the love of God to sustain us when the world is against us and our family is too?

Notes

Jesus is greater than the angels.

1. By His Name : You are My Son - (Hebrews 1:4-5)
 - Psalm 2:7, Gen 49:10, Matthew 3:17, Romans 1:4, 2 Samuel 7:14-16
2. Jesus is to be worshiped not worship - (Hebrews 1:6)
 - Deuteronomy 32:43, Luke 2:13-14, Revelation 5:11-14,
3. The Son is Sovereign the angels are servants (Hebrews 1:7-9)
 - 3 distinct purposes that we can see in scripture as servants of Christ:

a. Communicate God's Message to Man

- brought law - Acts 7:38,53
- reveal the future - Dan 10: 10- 15, Rev 17:1 ; 21:9 ; 22:16
- announce births - Jesus & John the Baptizer

b. Minister to Believers

- Psalm 34:7, Psalm 91:11-12, Luke 15:10,
- Acts 5:19 ; 12:6-11 - Deliverance from Prison
- 1 Cor 4:9 / 1 Tim 5:21 - eagerly watch the lives of believers

c. Agents in Earthly judgments at Second Coming

- Matt 24:31, 1 Thess 4:16-17, Matt 13: 39-42, Rev 19:17-20:3, 10

4. Christ is Eternal & Unchanging (Hebrews 1:10-12)

- Psalm 102:25-27, Hebrews 13:8-9

5. Christ is King (Hebrews 113-14)

- Philippians 2:9-11, Hebrews 4:14-16

Key Question

1. Do you trust the love of God?

Other Questions

1. What areas of your life have you given up the battle, decided that it is easier, more acceptable to blend in than to follow Him?
2. What object, person, think, angel, etc. have you turned to in worship lately instead of God?
3. Who in your life can you invest in during this season so that they might experience the love of God through you?