

Jesus is Greater (Hebrews 1)

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- (1) Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, (2) but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world.*
- (3) He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, (4) having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.*
- (5) For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son"? (6) And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him."*
- (7) Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, and his ministers a flame of fire." (8) But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your kingdom. (9) You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions."*
- (10) And, "You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning, and the heavens are the work of your hands; (11) they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment, (12) like a robe you will roll them up, like a garment they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will have no end."*
- (13) And to which of the angels has he ever said, "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet"? (14) Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?*

Practical Application

1. Jesus is greater than anything or anyone else. You will find true life and greatness in Him. He can make you great as you follow Him.
2. God has spoken. God is speaking. Are you listening? Listen to God.
3. Jesus does not just give us a word from God, He is the Word of God. Listen to Jesus.
4. Jesus is the great and ultimately final prophet (Word from God) because He is God incarnate. Listen to Him.
5. Jesus is the heir of all things. In Him you can have a glorious eternal inheritance. Hope in Him.
6. Jesus is the Creator of all that exists. He is your Creator. Respond properly to your Creator.
7. Jesus is the radiance of God's glory. Look to Him, be transformed, and become radiant yourself.
8. If you have seen Jesus you have seen God. See the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. Behold Him, believe in Him, and become more like Him.
9. Jesus sustains the universe by His great power. You need His power to sustain you each day. Ask Him for power.
10. The Word of God is powerful. Listen to it, read it, memorize it, meditate on it, trust in it.
11. Jesus can purify you from sin. He alone can wash away your sins. In Jesus, you can be clean before God.
12. The work of Jesus through His life, death, and resurrection is complete. He is seated now, and all authority in heaven and on earth is in His mighty hands. You are in His hands.
13. God is majestic in glory. Recognize His majesty. Respond to His majesty. Revere His majesty.
14. Jesus is superior to all prophets. Jesus is superior to all angels. Jesus is superior to all. Recognize the supremacy of Jesus Christ as we study the book of Hebrews.
15. Jesus is excellent. He can grow you in excellence. Be excellent.

16. Jesus is the uncreated, eternal, special, and only begotten Son of God. Recognize the preeminence of Jesus Christ.
17. Worship God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Worship Jesus.
18. Jesus sits on the eternal throne of God. There is no-one above Him. You can trust Him, rest in Him, and enjoy His loving authority forever.
19. Recognize Jesus as King and live for fully for His Kingdom. His Kingdom is the only kingdom that will last forever. Remember that today and everyday.
20. The universe is the work of God's hands, and you are the work of His hands. Yield to His molding today.
21. Jesus is constant, unchanging, consistent, and eternal. You can find strength, security, and hope in Him.
22. The enemies of God are footstools for Jesus' feet. In Him, they can be footstools under your feet as well.
23. God ministers to us through His angelic army. They care for, serve, and assist us. Service is angelic. Service is godly.
24. Salvation is yours in Jesus Christ. If you know Jesus you have eternal life. Have you put your trust in Him?
25. We have a great salvation! Jesus is greater than anything or anyone else!

Announcements

- August 25, New Member class: Interested in becoming a member at Hope Mountain? Be sure to let Pastor Deric know. This event happens immediately after morning worship and lunch is provided with your reservation.
- Fall Kickoff and Back to School Party: Sunday, August 18th at 10:30am. With lunch and games after worship.
- FOOD PANTRY FOOD DRIVE: During the month of August we will be collecting items to benefit the Hope Mountain Church food pantry. Please bring your items to the back of the sanctuary at any time during the month.
- Wednesday Night Kids Ministry Awana will start back on August 28.
- Our Youth Group is having special events all Summer. See David Barrero for more info.
- All of our Small Groups meet weekly. See our small group guide to find one that is best for you. New Small groups will be starting in August.