

The Superiority of Christ

"Better Than the Angels

Hebrews 1:4

Introduction

The book of Hebrews is written primarily to Jewish believers. Its message is relevant to all believers even today. The writer wants to convince believers that the New Covenant is better than the old one. Jesus is the Christ! He is a better priest, better mediator, and in every way a greater revelation of God ever before.

1. The Book of Hebrews presents _____ between the New and Old Covenants and between Jesus Christ and everyone else to show that He is superior.
2. Last week we concluded that Jesus is better than the _____.
3. The writer begins to reveal the superiority of Christ by comparing Jesus to the prophets and their message and concludes that _____ was the fulfillment of the prophetic message.
4. Beginning in verse 4, the Holy Spirit teaches us that Jesus Christ is superior to all _____.

I. Jesus Created the Angels

5. Hebrews 2:9 indicates that _____ are higher than humans.
6. When Jesus became a man, He "was made a little _____ than the angels."
7. The Jews considered angels the highest beings next to _____.
8. The Jews believed that angels were messengers who did God's will and work in the _____.

9. From Scripture we know that angels are _____ beings and yet have some type of form.
10. _____ led a rebellion against God and was defeated and lost his standing in Heaven.
11. According to Colossians 1:16, Jesus created the _____ which is why He is superior to them.

II. Angels Worship Jesus

12. Angels are not just heavenly _____, they are intelligent beings devoted to serving God.
13. Angels can _____ many languages.
14. They can move with swiftness and have incredible _____, according to Daniel 9:21. They can move with great _____ throughout the heavenlies.
15. Paul speaks of three heavens.
 1. The first Heaven consists of our Earth's atmosphere.
 2. The second Heaven consists of our _____.
 3. The third Heaven is where God lives.
16. Angels are more _____ than humans.
17. The scriptures refer to their various ranks as thrones, dominions, _____, powers, and authorities (Eph. 6:12; Col. 1:16).
18. Angels worship and minister to God _____.
19. Christ created angels to _____ God.
20. At His incarnation, the angels were called upon to worship Jesus as the _____ of God.

21. It would be an absolute _____ to violate God's laws to worship anyone but God.
22. Jesus created angels; He _____ them, and they worship Him.

III. Jesus Rules Over the Angels

23. To the Jews, angels were supremely _____ beings, so the writer of Hebrews must show that Christ is better than angels.
24. His purpose in Hebrews 1:4-14 is to show that Christ is a better _____ than the angelic mediators of the Old Covenant.
25. The Greek word used for "made" means "to become" not "to _____."
26. Jesus Christ has always _____, but He became better than the angels in His exaltation since He was lower than the angels in His human form. (Heb. 2:9).
27. After His faithful obedience and work on the Cross as the Son of God, Christ ascended back to _____ exalted above the angels.
28. Christ did not become the Son of God until His _____.
29. Colossians 1:15 says Christ "is the image of the invisible God, the _____ of all creation."
30. Might, strength, dignity, and power refer to a position of authority, not a point in _____.
31. Jesus is the _____ of all things!
32. It seems angelic hosts are not yet able to _____ everything.

33. Christ is greater than the angels because He created them, and they must worship Him because He is their _____ and ruler.

Conclusion

34. Angels are servants of _____, and they are ministering spirits to the people of Christ.

35. The universe is filled with God's angelic _____.

Be encouraged and hopeful because as the Supreme Ruler of everything, Jesus Christ can dispatch at any moment His angelic messengers with heavenly blessings and answers to your prayers and divine provision for your journey in faith.

ANSWERS

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| 1. Comparisons | 23. Exalted |
| 2. Prophets | 24. Mediator |
| 3. Christ | 25. Create |
| 4. Angels | 26. Existed |
| 5. Angels | 27. Heaven |
| 6. Lower | 28. Incarnation |
| 7. God | 29. Firstborn |
| 8. Earth | 30. Time |
| 9. Spirit | 31. Ruler |
| 10. Lucifer | 32. Discern |
| 11. Angels | 33. Commander |
| 12. Robots | 34. Christ |
| 13. Speak | 35. helpers |
| 14. Speed | |
| 15. Universe | |
| 16. Powerful | |
| 17. Principalities | |
| 18. Continuously | |
| 19. Worship | |
| 20. Son | |
| 21. Sin | |
| 22. Commands | |