

## OUTLINE

1.

### "BETTER THAN ANGELS"

(Hebrews 1:1 - 2:10)

(Hebrews 1:4) "Being made so much better than angels"

#### 1. (1:2) "HAS IN THESE LAST DAYS SPOKEN UNTO US BY HIS SON"

**Angels spoke, too:** (Heb. 2:2) "For if the word spoken by angels was steadfast ...  
(v3) "... salvation ... spoken by the Lord, confirmed unto us ... "

(Matt. 28:5) to the women. (Luke 1:13) to Zacharias. (Luke 1:30) to Mary.  
(Matt. 1:20) to Joseph. (Acts 8:26) to Philip. (Acts 10:3) to Cornelius.  
(Acts 12:8) to Peter. (Acts 27:23-23) to Paul.

**Angels did not speak a message of salvation to an audience of people, a public platform.**

**Warning in (Gal. 1:8-9)**

**Angels are not to be worshipped:** (Col. 2:18; Rev. 19:10; Rev. 22:8-9)

#### 2. (v2-3) SEVEN FACTS POINT TO JESUS BEING "BETTER"

1) "Whom he has appointed heir of all things"

(Matt. 21:37-38 and v42; John 3:16; Matt. 3:16; Matt. 17:5; Acts 2:36)

2) "By whom also he made the worlds" (the entire universe)

(Col. 1:16; John 1:1-3; Heb. 11:3)

3) "Who being the brightness of his glory" - (John 1:14)

"Glory" - the things of God that make God attractive to mankind.  
Jesus reflects, emanates, and expresses all that is good with God.

4) "The express image of his person"

"Express image" - exact representation; rubber-stamp; a copy.  
(1 Timothy 3:16; John 14:9)

5) "Upholding all things by the word of his power" - (Col. 1:17)

6) "He had by himself purged our sins"

"Purged / purification / cleansing" - (detailed in chapter 9)  
(9:12-14) (v14) "How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the  
eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God,  
purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?"

7) "Sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high"

"Majesty" - (Hebrews 8:1)

"On high" - above all created heavens (Eph. 4:10)

"Right hand" - (Hebrews 8:1, 10:12, 12:2)



### 3. (v4) "BEING MADE SO MUCH BETTER THAN ANGELS"

"Made" - not created; rather: appointed, established, designated, enthroned.  
The next 10 verses cite 7 OT passages to show Jesus' superiority over the angels.

- 1) (v5) "Thou art my Son" was never spoken to angels.  
(Psalm 2:7)

- 2) (v5) "... and again, I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son"  
(2 Samuel 7:14)

An original reference to David; however, it was an eternal covenant looking forward to the Messiah. (see John 7:42)

- 3) (v6) "and again, when he brings in the first-begotten into the world, he said, Let all the angels of God worship him"  
(Psalm 89:27)

Jesus is the "first-born" - (Rms. 8:29; Col. 1:15, v18; Heb. 12:23)

- 4) (v7) "And of the angels he says, Who makes his angels spirits (as the wind), and his ministers (servants, messengers) a flame of fire."  
(Psalm 104:4)

(v14) "Are they not all ministering spirits ... "

- 5) (v8-9) "But unto the Son he says, Thy throne is for ever and ever ... "  
(Psalm 45:6-7)

The words "Christ" and "Messiah" mean "anointed one."

- 6) (v10-12) "... but Thou remain ... Thou art the same ... "  
(Psalm 102:25-27)

- 7) (v13) "But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool?"  
(Psalm 110:1)

(Eph. 1:15-23)

(Hebrews 2:5) "For unto the angels hath he not put in subjection the world to come, whereof we speak."

CLOSE - "Better than angels" is supported in both OT and NT.