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Hebrews 1:4-14

Greater Than The Angels (Part 1)

I. Introduction: The author of Hebrews writes to Jewish Christians to demonstrate that Jesus is greater than the angels so that they will stay committed to Him.

II. Greater Than The Angels (Heb 1:4-14).

A. A Greater Name (vv. 4-5).

1. Jesus is declared to possess a greater title than the angels because He is God's unique Son, while the angels are merely created beings.

B. A Greater Worship (v. 6).

1. Jesus is proclaimed as greater because He is worshipped continually by the angels in God's presence while they are those who worship Jesus.

C. A Greater Authority (vv. 7-9).

1. Jesus is decreed to be greater because He is the One who is enthroned in heaven as the Sovereign of heaven, while the angels are servants of God's King.

III. Conclusion: Jesus is portrayed in the book of Hebrews as the One who is greater than the angels because He has a superior name, worship, and authority.



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Study Questions: Greater Than The Angels

1. How big is your view of Jesus Christ? Why is it important that Christians believe that Jesus is preeminent? Why would this be important to those experiencing persecution?
2. What does the Bible say about angels? Why did God create angels? (**Heb 1:7, 14; Gal 1:8**) What did the Jews believe about angels? How had their view of angels become distorted?
3. What is the first reason that the author says Jesus is better than the angels? (**v. 4**) What is the better “name” that Jesus has received? (**Heb 1:4-5**) When did He inherit this title? (**v. 5**)
4. What does it mean that Jesus was “begotten”? (**Heb 1:5**) How do we know that this does not mean that He was created? (**Col 1:15-19**) When did Jesus become God’s Son? (**Luke 1:32**)
5. What is the second reason that the author says Jesus is better than the angels? (**v. 6**) What did the word “firstborn” mean to the Jews? (**v. 6**) How do angels worship Jesus? (**v. 6; Psalms 97:7**)
6. Why is the angel’s worship said to be given to Jesus? (**v. 6**) What do you worship? Why do the angels worship Jesus? (**Rev 4:8-11; 5:9-14**) Why were some Jews worshipping angels?
7. What is the third reason that the author says Jesus is better than the angels? (**Heb 1:7-9**) Who created the angels? (**v. 7**) Why does he call the angels a wind and fire? (**v. 7**)
8. How is Jesus’ rule over the Earth described? (**Heb 4:7-9**) Why is it significant that Jesus loves righteousness? (**v. 9**) Do you see how magnificent Jesus is in Hebrews?

Prayer

1. Ask God to help you see Jesus’ magnificence in the book of Hebrews.
2. Pray that God would show you how you can worship Him for His righteous rule.