

## Hebrews: The Superiority of Jesus

### Does God Still Speak To Us?

#### Hebrews 1:1-3

#### Introduction to Hebrews

- **The author of Hebrews anonymous.**
- **Chapter 2 confirms that Hebrews is anchored in the apostles/disciples doctrine/teachings.**
- **Audience - it is likely the readers knew the OT well and the author expected this.**
- **They were Christians who had endured earlier persecution for the cause of Christ, which included physical, emotional and financial suffering. (10:32-34)**
- **Purpose of Hebrews - to point out that Jesus was far greater and superior to anyone or any method God has used previously to speak and reveal Himself to them.**
- **There are four sections to the book and each section is a contrast with the superiority of Christ. Each section concludes with a warning.**
  - **\_\_\_\_\_ and the Torah (Chapters 1-2)**
  - **\_\_\_\_\_ and The Promised Land (Chapters 3-4)**
  - **The \_\_\_\_\_ and Melchizedek (Chapters 5-7)**
  - **\_\_\_\_\_ and Covenant (Chapters 8-10)**

**Chapters 11-13 could be called the “Big Challenge” for the believer who is striving daily to walk this journey of faith in Jesus.** In Jesus, the one who is superior above all the reader is challenge to recognize:

- **They have been given God’s \_\_\_\_\_**
  - **They have hope for a new \_\_\_\_\_.**
  - **Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ Priest.**
  - **Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ sacrifice.**
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- ❖ **We should remain \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus.**
  - ❖ **We should follow the \_\_\_\_\_ of faith from the past (Hebrews 11) and present.**

❖ We must remember that no matter what persecution or trial we face, God will never \_\_\_\_\_ us.

1. God Has \_\_\_\_\_ (1:1)

- The Angels - revelation to Moses
- The Prophets - orally and written
- Voice and Finger of God
- Abraham - A Mysterious Visitor
- Ezekiel - Vision of the wheel
- Isaiah - Saw the Lord High and Lifted Up
- Jacob - wrestling match
- Elijah - by fire
- Joshua - Angel with a drawn sword
- Balaam - the talking donkey

2. God Has Spoken In A \_\_\_\_\_ of Ways. (1:1)

3. God Has Spoken At Various \_\_\_\_\_. (1:1)

4. God Is Speaking Through His \_\_\_\_\_, Jesus. (1:2)

A. Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ of All Things.

- This speaks of eternity and the incarnation.
- The entire world is given to Him.
- He is the executor or the Divine will and plan of God.
- He will return to enforce the Divine plan.

B. Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ of God's Glory.

C. Jesus is the Exact Imprint of God's \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

“The lines of deity have been reproduced (cloned) in Jesus' humanity” - John Phillips

**D. Jesus Holds and \_\_\_\_\_ All With the Word of His \_\_\_\_\_.**

- **At best, our words are legislative**
- **His words are executive - Jesus speaks; it is done!**

**E. Jesus Reveals the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.**

- **Jesus' Work at Calvary**
- **The Redemptive Plan - the purging of sin**
- **The Reality of Reconciliation**

**F. Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ in Heaven.**

- **Jesus completes the redemptive plan - "It is finished"!**
- **Jesus is seated at God's right hand - demonstrates His present and continuing ministry.**

**Conclusion:**

**ARE YOU LOOKING FOR AN ASSISTANT?**