

First Baptist Church – Odessa

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“Why is Jesus Greater – Divine Credentials”

“Jesus is Greater” - Pt. 2

Hebrews 1:1-3 & Selected

Jesus is Greater Because...

I. He is God the Father’s final revelation to mankind!

“Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, 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.” Vs. 1-2

II. His credentials set Him apart as supreme over this world!

“...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. 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.” Vs. 2-3

The Credentials of Jesus:

• Jesus is the Inheritor of this world.

“...whom He appointed the heir of all things.” Vs. 2b

“For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever. Amen.” Romans 11:36

• Jesus is the Creator of this world.

“...through whom also He created the world.” Vs. 2c

"All things were made through Him, and without Him was not any thing made that was made." John 1:3

"For by Him all things were created... all things were created through Him and for Him." Colossians 1:16

- **Jesus is the Radiance of God's glory to this world.**

"He is the radiance of the glory of God." Vs. 3a

"And He was transfigured before them, and His clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them."

Mark 9:2b-3

- **Jesus is the Representation of God to this world.**

"...and the exact imprint of His nature." Vs. 3b

"He is the image of the invisible God." Vs. 15a

- **Jesus is the Sustainer of this world.**

"...and He upholds the universe by the word of His power." Vs. 3c

"And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together."

Colossians 1:17

- **Jesus is the Redeemer sent by God to this world.**

"After making purification for sins...." Vs. 3d

"...we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all." Hebrews 10:10

- **Jesus is the Ruler of this world.**

"...He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high." Vs. 3e