First Baptist Church - Odessa

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"God's Plan of Salvation"

"Jesus is Greater" - Pt. 5

Hebrews 2:5-9 & Selected

"Are they (angels) not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?"

Hebrews 1:14

"How shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation?"

Hebrews 2:3a

God's Plan of Salvation...

I. Begins with paradise being created for an earthly king!

"For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking." Vs. 5

See Genesis 1:26-31

Our Great God and Savior Crowns Us...

• With purpose in His Kingdom!

"What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him?" Vs. 6

With position in His Kingdom!

"You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor." Vs. 7

• With authority in His Kingdom!

"...putting everything in subjection under his feet." Vs. 8a

• With sovereignty in His Kingdom!

"Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control." Vs. 8b

II. Stalled because paradise was lost by an earthly king!

"At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him." Vs. 8c

"The whole world lies in the power of the evil one." 1 John 5:19

When Paradise was Lost...

God cursed Satan for his deception.

See Genesis 3:14-15

• God judged Eve for her sin.

See Genesis 3:16

• God judged Adam for his sin.

See Genesis 3:17-19

III. Rejoices because paradise was regained by a divine King!

"But we see Him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God He might taste death for everyone." Vs. 9

"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost." Luke 19:10

See Romans 6:5-11

"I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave Himself for me." Galatians 2:20

See Revelation 5:9-10

"Then I saw thrones, and seated on them were those to whom the authority to judge was committed. Also I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their forehead or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years." Revelation 20:4