

God's Perspective on Christmas (Heb. 1:1-3) **12/27/2015**

God the Father's Perspective on the Birth of God the Son

The book of Hebrews addresses Jewish Christians with the reality that Jesus is far _____ than all the pillars of _____.

Jewish believers needed _____ that their faith was rightly _____.

The first three verses of Hebrews contain the most _____ and comprehensive summary statement of the _____ of Christ.

The Preparation for Christ (v. 1)

In many ways =

The Old Testament is progressive _____. It moves from a _____ to a _____ degree of completeness.

The Old Testament was _____ for Christ, but this was only partial and _____.

The Presentation of Christ (v. 2)

We can see in _____ everything we need to know about _____.

Some of the attributes of God:

In these last days is a familiar Old Testament phrase that Jews knew referred to the _____ age.

Jesus, as the full _____ of the Father, could say, "He who has seen Me has seen the Father" (John 14:9).

The Preeminence of Christ (v. 2-3)

1 – Christ is the _____ of all things

God has planned for Jesus to _____ absolutely everything.

Psalm 2:8 – Ask of Me, and I will surely give the nations as Your inheritance, and the very ends of the earth as Your possession.

2 – Christ is the _____ of creation

John 1:3 (KJV) – All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

World =

3 – Christ possesses the _____ of God's glory

Radiance =

John 8:12 – Then Jesus again spoke to them, saying, "I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life."

4 – Christ is the _____ of God

Exact representation =

Image =

5 – Christ has ultimate _____

He upholds and _____ all that He has created.

The perfect _____ of the universe is a testimony to the mind, power, and _____ of its Creator.

6 – Christ _____ our sins

Jesus took the full _____ of God for the sins of His people.

7 – Christ is _____ in heaven

Unlike the priests, He sat down, because His _____ was _____.