



SUNDAY MORNING

AT BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH

Title: The Final Word of God

Passage: Hebrews 1:1-3

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Introduction: We've all felt it—the ache of silence. The prayers that seem to go unanswered, the moments when heaven feels quiet, and we start to wonder if God is still speaking. That's exactly where the story of *Hebrews* begins. For four hundred years, there had been no prophet, no message, no fresh word from heaven. It seemed as if God had gone silent. But then, the silence was broken—not by another messenger, but by the Message Himself. God spoke—not through prophets or angels, but through His Son. And that's where our new Sunday morning series begins: *Jesus Is Better*.

I. God Has Spoken

The writer of Hebrews reminds us that God has always been a speaking God. He did not create the world and then retreat into silence. He has always desired to make Himself known to man.

When Jesus came, God didn't send another candle; He sent the sunrise. Every type, every symbol, every prophecy — all of it pointed to Him. The partial became perfect, the shadow became substance, the promise became person.

II. God Has Spoken Fully Through His Son



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Every truth God ever wanted humanity to know is found in Jesus Christ. He is the embodiment of God's wisdom, the expression of God's heart, the revelation of God's mind.

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." (John 1:1)

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth." (John 1:14)

Are you longing for God to speak? He already has—through His Son. You don't need a new word from heaven; you need to draw close to the One who is the Word.

III. Seven Reasons Jesus is Better

1. He is the Heir of All Things

Every star that burns in the heavens, every king that rules on earth, every treasure, every talent, every life — all belong to Him.

2. He is the Creator of All Things

The galaxies that stretch beyond the reach of our telescopes and the molecules too small for the eye to see—all bear His fingerprints.

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

"For by Him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth... all things were created by Him, and for Him." (Colossians 1:16)

Every mountain testifies to His strength, every sunrise whispers His faithfulness, every breath you take is a reminder that the Creator still sustains His creation.



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3. He is the Sustainer of All Things

If He were to withdraw His sustaining word for an instant, creation would unravel.

When your life feels like it's coming apart at the seams, remember: the same Christ who holds the stars in their places can hold you together by the word of His power.

4. He is the Radiance of God's Glory

If you want to see what God's glory looks like, look at Jesus. If you want to know how the glory of God behaves toward sinners, watch Him reach out to the broken. If you want to behold the majesty of heaven, look into the face of Christ.

5. He is the Exact Representation of God's Nature

Jesus is not like God; Jesus is God—perfectly, eternally, visibly. He is the fullness of the Godhead in bodily form, the invisible God made known.

6. He is the Redeemer of Mankind

“But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.” (Isaiah 53:5)

When Jesus cried out from the cross, “It is finished,” that wasn't the sigh of a dying man — it was the shout of a conquering Redeemer.

“But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God.” (Hebrews 10:12)

When Jesus bore your sin, He took it all—every lie, every failure, every secret shame—and cast it as far as the east is from the west. You are not defined by your sin anymore; you are defined by His blood.



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7. He is the Ruler of the Universe

When Jesus offered Himself once for all, He sat down. It means the work of redemption is complete. It means the blood of Christ is enough. It means no more sacrifices, no more striving, no more religion trying to earn what grace freely gives.

“The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.” (Psalm 110:1)

Right now, the risen Christ sits upon the throne of heaven ruling in perfect authority.

Every crown will one day be cast before His feet, every knee will bow before His majesty, and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Conclusion: From the opening verses of Hebrews to its final words, one message rings clear—Jesus is better. He is greater than every prophet, higher than every power, and stronger than every promise that came before. In Him, the shadows give way to substance, the searching ends in satisfaction, and the silence is filled with the voice of God Himself. Everything we need is found in Him—our hope, our help, our salvation, our song. When all else fades, He remains. He always has been, and He always will be better than all.

