



## Message Series Guide

### Nothing Greater

#### Hebrews 1:1-5

A “knockoff” is a copy or an imitation of a particular product or merchandise. A knockoff might have the same physical appearance of the original, only with the name or logo slightly altered. It may look like the original, but in reality, can be very different in value and quality. The book of Hebrews has a similar message. Whatever we are focusing on for the source of our happiness, significance or salvation...Christ is better. Knockoffs like money, achievements, relationships, etc. are only imitations of the true source of life. Jesus is superior in every way, and there is nothing greater than His power, His authority, His grace and His presence in our life.

### **READ:**

**Hebrews 1:1-5; John 1:1-2; Ephesians 2:8**

- Who is the author of Hebrews? Why do you think he chose to remain anonymous?
- The major theme of Hebrews is, Jesus is Greater. Describe why Jesus is greater.
- How did God communicate to man in the Old Testament? How did God communicate to man through Jesus? Why is Jesus greater than the prophets?
- Why would God choose to speak to people differently in different ways? How does God primarily communicate to His people today?
- What was Jesus' primary ministry on earth?
- What did Jesus do after completing His earthly ministry?
- What does it mean for Jesus to sustain the world? How does Jesus sustain you?
- Describe the role of angels in the Bible. In what ways is Jesus greater than the angels?
- Of the ways that Jesus is described in verses 3 & 4, which one(s) stood out to you most? Why?

### **DISCUSS:**

- When choosing among many good things in your life (how to spend your time, where to live, career choices, etc.), what strategy do you use?
- If we value Jesus above all else, how does that affect the way we make decisions?
- Name some things that people value in life that eventually fall short (i.e. money, power, fame, etc.). How does the believer begin to value them less and Jesus more?
- Are you ever tempted to put anyone or anything in a higher position than Jesus? Explain.
- Does your life show that you consider Christ to be greater to everything and everyone else? If your actions show that you regard other things more highly, how can you change your focus?

### **PRAY:**

Pray this week that God would place a desire within you for His Word that you might more fully realize the supremacy and worth of Jesus.

### **RESPOND:**

Evaluate your perception of Jesus. Perhaps you are experiencing a dry season in your faith right now. Allow Hebrews chapter 1 to inform your picture of Jesus. He is more than a lowly shepherd. He is unchanging and eternal. He will never grow tired. He is seated at the right hand of the Father. He has won the victory. He will be the conqueror of all enemies. How should these attributes affect your faith life?