

Lesson 1: Study Questions – Hebrews 1:1-14

Heb. 1:1 God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways,² in these last days has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world.³ And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power. When He had made purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,⁴ having become as much better than the angels, as He has inherited a more excellent name than they.

Heb. 1:5 For to which of the angels did He ever say,

“ YOU ARE MY SON,
TODAY I HAVE BEGOTTEN YOU”?

And again,

“ I WILL BE A FATHER TO HIM
AND HE SHALL BE A SON TO ME”?

⁶ And when He again brings the firstborn into the world, He says,

“ AND LET ALL THE ANGELS OF GOD WORSHIP HIM.”

⁷ And of the angels He says,

“ WHO MAKES HIS ANGELS WINDS,
AND HIS MINISTERS A FLAME OF FIRE.”

⁸ But of the Son *He says*,

“ YOUR THRONE, O GOD, IS FOREVER AND EVER,
AND THE RIGHTEOUS SCEPTER IS THE SCEPTER OF HIS KINGDOM.

⁹ “ YOU HAVE LOVED RIGHTEOUSNESS AND HATED LAWLESSNESS;
THEREFORE GOD, YOUR GOD, HAS ANOINTED YOU
WITH THE OIL OF GLADNESS ABOVE YOUR COMPANIONS.”

¹⁰ And,

“ YOU, LORD, IN THE BEGINNING LAID THE FOUNDATION OF THE
EARTH,

AND THE HEAVENS ARE THE WORKS OF YOUR HANDS;

¹¹ THEY WILL PERISH, BUT YOU REMAIN;

AND THEY ALL WILL BECOME OLD LIKE A GARMENT,

¹² AND LIKE A MANTLE YOU WILL ROLL THEM UP;

LIKE A GARMENT THEY WILL ALSO BE CHANGED.

BUT YOU ARE THE SAME,

AND YOUR YEARS WILL NOT COME TO AN END.”

¹³ But to which of the angels has He ever said,

“ SIT AT MY RIGHT HAND,

UNTIL I MAKE YOUR ENEMIES

A FOOTSTOOL FOR YOUR FEET”?

¹⁴ Are they not all ministering spirits, sent out to render service for the sake of those who will inherit salvation?

- 1. Through whom did God speak long ago in many portions and in many ways? (1:1)**
- 2. (C) Describe the various ways that God spoke through the following prophets:**
 - 1. Moses (Exod 7:1-3)**
 - 2. Elijah (1 Kings 18:36-40)**
 - 3. Elisha (2 Kings 2:19-25)**
 - 4. David (Psa 22:1)**
 - 5. Isaiah (Isa 6:1-9)**
 - 6. Jeremiah (Jer 1:4-9)**
 - 7. Daniel (Dan 7:1)**
 - 8. Ezekiel (Ezek 1:1)**
 - 9. Amos (Amos 7:14-15)**
- 3. How has God spoken to us in these last days? (1:2a)**
- 4. Explain the seven significant statements about Christ in Heb 1:2-3.**
- 5. What did Jesus do when He had made purification of sins? (1:3b) (A) What promise does Jesus make to those who overcome? (Rev 3:21)**
- 6. Of whom is it said that Jesus had become superior when He had made purification of sins and sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high? (1:4)**
- 7. What was never said of the angels? (1:5) (C) As proof that Jesus is superior to the angels, from what two Old Testament prophetic passages does the author quote?**
- 8. When God again brings the firstborn into the world, who is commanded to worship Him? (1:6) (C) As proof that Jesus is superior to the angels, from what Old Testament prophetic passage does the author quote?**
- 9. Of the angels, what does He say? (1:7) (C) From what Old Testament passage does the author quote?**
- 10. In contrast to the angels who are made winds and His ministers a flame of fire, what does He say of the Son? (1:8-9) (C) As proof that Jesus is superior to the angels, from what Old Testament prophetic passage does the author quote?**
- 11. What did Jesus do in the beginning? What are the works of His hands? (1:10) (C) As proof that Jesus is superior to the angels, from what Old Testament prophetic passage does the author quote?**
- 12. Contrast the destinies of earth and heaven to Jesus? (1:11-12) Who will roll earth and heaven up like a mantle? (1:12) (C) As proof that Jesus is superior to the angels, from what Old Testament prophetic passage does the author quote?**

13. What was said to Jesus that was never said to the angels? (1:13) (C) As proof that Jesus is superior to the angels, from what Old Testament prophetic passage does the author quote?

14. What are all angels? For whose sake do the angels render service? (1:14)

15. How does the biblical teaching about angels in Hebrews 1 differ from the prevailing assumptions about angels in modern culture?

16. How has Hebrews 1 contributed to your understanding of Jesus' superiority to the angels?

17. How has Hebrews 1 enlarged your vision of the majesty of Jesus?

18. What do you learn about God? How could you apply this truth to your life?

Write a prayer response to Heb 1:1-14.