

## Prophets and Angels: The Final Word Hebrews 1

## Hebrews 1:1-4 (NIV)

In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe. The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

## I. Jesus is Greater than the Prophets

A Greater Revelation

Verse 1-2 – "In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son."

• A Greater Representation

Verse 3 – "The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word."

Colossians 1:15-17 (NIV)

"He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, ...all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together."

A Greater Reconciliation

Verse 3 – "...After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven."

## II. Jesus is Greater than the Angels

• Jesus Is God's Son; Angels Are God's Servants

Verse 4-5 – "The name He has inherited is superior to theirs. For to which of the angels did God ever say, 'You are my Son; today I have become your Father'? Or again, 'I will be His Father, and He will be My Son'?"

• Jesus Receives Worship; Angels Give Worship

Verse 6 – "When God brings His firstborn into the world, He says, 'Let all God's angels worship Him."

• Jesus is Sovereign; Angels Are His Subjects

Verse 6-8 – "...this is what GOD the Father says... 'He makes His angels... His servants,' but about the Son, He says, 'Your throne, O God, will last forever and ever.'"

• Jesus is The Creator; Angels Were Created

Verse 10-14 – "In the beginning, O Lord, You laid the foundations of the earth..., and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment. ... Are not all angels ministering spirits, sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?"