## Hebrews 1:1-14 Messiah Jesus Son of God compared to Angels

Various ways God has communicated with mankind by Prophets

1 God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets,

## Now God has spoken by His Son the express image of God – Greater than Angels

<sup>2</sup> has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; <sup>3</sup> who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup> having become so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.

<sup>5</sup> For to which of the angels did He ever say:"You are My Son, Today I have begotten You"?

And again:

"I will be to Him a Father, And He shall be to Me a Son"?

<sup>6</sup> But when He again brings the firstborn into the world, He says: "Let all the angels of God worship Him."

7 And of the angels He says:

"Who makes His angels spirits And His ministers a flame of fire."

8 But to the Son He says:

"Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your Kingdom. 9 You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You With the oil of gladness more than Your companions."

10 And:

"You, LORD, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth, And the heavens are the work of Your hands. 11 They will perish, but You remain; And they will all grow old like a garment; 12 Like a cloak You will fold them up, And they will be changed. But You are the same, And Your years will not fail."

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

"Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool"?

14 Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation? NKJV

Facts Revealed:

## Writer of the book of Hebrews

Some hold doubt regarding the authorship of Hebrews. I believe the author is Paul the Apostle to the Gentiles for the following reasons.

- $\diamond$  The author is writing to the Hebrews effectively portraying Jesus as the Messiah of Israel.
- $\diamond$  He is well versed in Hebrew history and Hebrew expectations for the Messiah of Israel.
- ♦ He clearly believes in the reality of angelic beings which is a belief of the Pharisees of which Paul and his father both were members. [Acts 23:8,]

- ♦ Paul claimed to be a Pharisee, a Hebrew of the Hebrews. [Acts 23:6, 26:5, Philippians 3:5]
- ◇ Paul in his ministry went first to the Jews (Hebrews) and proved by Hebrew Scriptures that Jesus was the Messiah of Israel. [Acts 9:22, Acts 13:5, 14:1, 17:1-3, 10-12, 17:17, 18:1-5, 18-19, 28:17-23]
- ♦ Paul worked close with Timothy through most of his ministry and was a prisoner with Timothy. [Acts 16:1] Paul picked up Timothy and took him on his ministry travels beginning in Acts 16:1 and Timothy was still Paul's companion through Acts 20:4.
- $\diamond$  The writer of Hebrews is a prisoner in chains. [Hebrews 10:34]
- ♦ Here the writer of Hebrews mentions that Timothy was set free and he hopes to see those to whom he writes this letter if Timothy comes soon. [Hebrews 13:23]
- ♦ The letter of Hebrews expresses the views of Paul throughout with the focus on the Hebrews.
- $\diamond$  Therefore I believe Paul was the writer of this Book.
- ♦ The book to the Hebrews is a work demonstrating from Jewish understanding of Scriptures that Jesus is indeed Yehowah Messiah and worthy of praise and worship.

Various ways God has communicated with mankind by Prophets [Hebrews 1:1]

✤ In the past, God spoke to the fathers by the prophets in various times and various ways. Now God has spoken by His Son the express image of God – Greater than Angels Jesus compared to angels. [Hebrews 1:2-6]

- Now God has spoken to us by His Son.
  - $\diamond$  God has appointed His Son Jesus Christ to be heir of all things.
  - $\diamond$  Through His Son Jesus, God made the worlds.

  - ♦ Jesus upholds all things by the Word of His power. [Hebrews 1:3, Colossians 1:17]
  - ♦ When Jesus had purged our sins by Himself, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high. [Hebrews 1:3, Mark 16:19, Acts 2:33]
  - ♦ Having become so much better than the angels, Jesus has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than any of the angels.
  - ♦ Not to the angels, but only to the Son (Jesus) God said, "You are My Son, Today I have begotten You." [Psalm 2:7, Hebrews 1:5]
  - ♦ Only of Jesus did God say, "I will be a Father to Him, and He shall be to Me a Son. [2 Samuel 7:14, Hebrews 1:5]
  - When God brought Jesus, the firstborn (preeminent One), into the world, God said, "Let all the angels worship him. [Hebrews 1:6]
  - ♦ All these evidences identify Jesus as Jehovah God and superior to angels. In the Law God had said, "But you shall destroy their altars, break their images, and cut down their groves: For you shalt worship no other god: for Yahweh (the LORD), whose name is Jealous, is a jealous El (God):" [Exodus 34:13-14]
  - ☆ And again He said, "And it shall be, if you do at all forget Yehowah Eloheyk (the LORD your God), and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that you shall surely perish. [Deuteronomy 8:19]
  - Jesus Himself said to Satan, "Then saith Jesus unto him, Get you hence, Satan: for it is written, You shalt worship Yahweh Eloheyk (the Lord your God), and him only shall you serve." [Matthew 4:10, Exodus 20:2-5, 34:14, Deuteronomy 4:35-39, 5:6-9, 28:14, etc]

Jesus further compared to angels. [Hebrews 1:7-14]

♦ Of the angels God said: He makes His Angels spirits, and His ministers a flame of fire. [Hebrews 1:7, Psalm 104:4]

- ♦ But to Jesus, God the Father said, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your Kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You With the oil of gladness more than Your companions." [Hebrews 1:8-9, Psalm 45:6-7]
- ♦ This is God the Father speaking to Jesus the Son, and God Himself calls Jesus "God."
- ♦ God the father has declared that the throne of God the Word (Jesus), is forever, and Jesus is the righteous ruler of the Kingdom which will never end. The reason is that Jesus has loved righteousness and hated lawlessness. [Hebrews 1:8-9, Psalm 45:6]
- ♦ God the Father has anointed God the Word (Jesus) with the oil of gladness above all others, angels or men. [Hebrews 1:9, Psalm 45:7]
- ♦ God the Father confirmed that God the Word (Jesus) was the One Who laid the foundation of the earth, and created the heavens. [Hebrews 1:10, Psalm 102:25-27]
- ♦ God the Father declared that God the Word (Jesus) will never pass away. [Hebrews 1:11]
- ♦ God the Father confirmed that Heaven and Earth as we know them will pass away, and be replaced by a new Heaven and Earth, and they will be changed. [Genesis 8:22, Isaiah 34:4, 65:17, 66:22, Hebrews 1:10-12, 2 Peter 3:13, Revelation 21:1, Psalm 102:26-27]
- ☆ Though Heaven and Earth will be changed, God the Word Jesus will remain the same and never end. [Hebrews 1:10, Exodus 15:18, 2 Samuel 7:16, 1 Kings 2:45, Psalm 9:7, 29:10, 102:27]
- Not to angels, but to the Son (Jesus) God the father said, "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool." [Hebrew 1:13, Psalm 110:1, Matthew 22:44, Mark 12:36, Luke 20:42-43, Acts 2:34-35]
- ☆ Angels are all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation. [Hebrews 1:7, 14, Psalm 103:20-21, 104:4]