



Lesson 4

Title: Christ is Superior to the Prophets 2

Scripture: Hebrews 1:2-3

Not for Lazy Disciples

The Theme of Hebrews

- The SUPERIORITY or PREEMINENCE of Jesus the Christ. (Colossians 1:18)
- He was BETTER than anything or anyone before Him.
- He is revealed as a BETTER prophet than MOSES, a BETTER High Priest than Aaron, a BETTER King than David.

Jesus the Christ Is Superior Over the Prophets

The GOD Spoke in the Past (Hebrews 1:1)

- ὁ θεός “the God” – the DEFINITE ARTICLE is placed before the noun “theos” to distinguish “the God” from all other gods.
- God has revealed Himself and His will.

THE GOD Has Spoken IN His SON (Hebrews 1:2)

- Reject Christ (God’s expression of Himself) and you reject GOD!
Consider carefully – John 5:23; 8:19; 10:30; 15:23-24; Luke 10:16; 1 John 2:22-23; 2 John 9; 1 John 5:10; **1 Corinthians 16:22**

Who Is This Christ? (v. 3)

- ① He is the HEIR of ALL THINGS
- ② He is the CREATOR of ALL Things
- ③ He is the BRIGHTNESS of His Glory
- ④ He is the EXACT Image of God

- ⑤ He UPHOLDS All Things
- ⑥ He PUTS AWAY our Sins
- ⑦ He is EXALTED to the HIGHEST of Positions

Jesus the Christ Is the CREATOR of ALL Things!

- (John 1:3) “**ALL THINGS** were made through Him, and without Him **NOTHING** was made that was made.” (John 1:10)
- (Colossians 1:16, 17) “For by Him **ALL THINGS** were created . . .”
 - ALL THINGS: “**all things** . . . that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions, or principalities.” See Proverbs 16:4!
- (Revelation 4:11) “**You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and by Your will they exist and were created.**”

All Things!

- **by Whom also He made the worlds . . .**
 - “worlds” is **not** the Greek word “kosmos” but αἰώνιας (*aionas*) which literally means “ages.”
 - αἰώνιας – is then a synonym (same meaning) of “all things” in the previous phrase.
 - “All things” would include not only the material universe, but also **time (history), space, and energy**. Christ created the ENTIRE universe including EVERYTHING that makes it function and keep functioning until the *appointed end*.
- (Proverbs 16:4) “The LORD has made all **for Himself**, Yes, even the wicked for the day of doom.”
- (Job 41:11) “Everything under heaven is Mine.” (Exodus 19:5; Deuteronomy 10:14; 1 Chronicles 29:11-14; Psalm 24:1; 50:12)
 ★ MEDITATE: Jeremiah 27:5-7; Isaiah 13.
- (Romans 11:36) “For **of** Him, and **through** Him, and **to** Him, are all things; to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.”
- (Acts 17:23-26) God, the Creator, is Lord of heaven and earth.

Christ the Creator (Genesis 1:1)

- ★ Genesis 1:1 is the MOST IMPORTANT verse in the whole Bible. Get Genesis 1:1 wrong and you will get everything that follows wrong.
- He is **ETERNAL**. He existed **before** time. “In the beginning God created . . .” God exists (inhabits) eternity! (Isaiah 57:15)

- Meditate on 1 Timothy 1:17
- His COMPLETE PLAN existed before time began.
- He works ALL THINGS according to His plan and purpose. Ephesians 1:11
- He knew ALL of His works **before** He started! Acts 15:18; Isaiah 46:10
- ALL things (events, places, things, persons, etc.) were known to Him **before** He said, "Let there be light."
- He is **ALMIGHTY**.
 - There is NO ONE or NO THING that compares to God!
 - **ALL** power belongs to God. (Psalm 62:11)
 - **ALL** power comes from God.(John 19:10-11)
 - He **spoke** and it was done! (Genesis 1; Psalm 33:6, 9)
 - He created the heavens and the earth and all that is in them our of NOTHING!
 - THEREFORE, there is NOTHING too hard for Him to do! (Jeremiah32:17, 27; Genesis 18:14; Job 42:2; Luke 1:37; 18:27)
 - Where does our help come from? Meditate on Psalm 121!
- He is ALL **WISE**. (Romans 11:33-36; Psalm 147:5; Isaiah 40:28)
 - There is NOTHING that God does not know!
 - God knows ALL THINGS before they exist! (Isaiah 46:10; 44:7; 45:21; **Acts 15:18**)
- He is **FREE**.
 - God, and GOD alone, is the ONLY FREE being in the UNIVERSE!
 - NOTHING and NO ONE ELSE is FREE!
 - God does what He pleases, when He pleases, with whatever He pleases; however He pleases; whenever He pleases! (Psalm 115:3; 135:6; Job 23:13)
 - He is **the** POTTER and MORE! (Romans 9:11, 18-23; Isaiah 64:8; Daniel 4:35)
- He has/had a **PLAN** and **PURPOSE!**
 - He works ALL THINGS according to HIS PLAN – not man’s! (Prov. 19:21)
 - His plan (counsel) stands forever. (Isaiah 14:27; Psalm 33:11)
 - He will DO His plan and NO ONE can stop Him. (Isaiah 14:24; 46:10-11; Job 42:1-2)
 - His plan includes the smallest of details – Matthew 10:29-30
 - History started just as He planned and history will end just as He planned – and **EVERYTHING** in between will BE just as He planned! (Isa. 14:24)

If Christ, then God!

- Yahweh (Jehovah) took the credit for creating the universe: Genesis 1:1; Isaiah 40:28; 42:5; 44:24; 45:12, 18; Psalm 102:25.
- The Christ IS Yahweh! The Christ is GOD!

His Plan Included Me!

- (Job 33:4) The ALMIGHTY GOD has given me life.
- (Ephesians 2:10) The ALMIGHTY has ordained work for me to do.
- (Psalm 139:16) God PLANNED me! Meditate on the word “me”!
 - God HAS a plan for my life and **that** plan **He** will complete! (Psalm 138:8; Philippians 1:6)
- I am part of God’s GREAT plan and purpose!

