# Hebrews

Who is Jesus and, Why does it matter?



#### Authorship & Audience

- Who wrote the book of Hebrews?
  - ➤ Paul?
  - Barnabas?
  - Apollos?
  - ➤ Luke?
  - Silas, Philip, Priscilla, Aquila, Clement of Rome???

- Who was the Book of Hebrews
  - Written to?
  - > Jewish Christians
  - Under persecution
  - Confronted with false teachers
  - Before 70 A.D.



#### Hebrews: What's it all about? (1-4)

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

## Hebrews: Overview

- Jesus Is Greater than Angels, Moses, and Aaron
- Call to Maturity
- Jesus in the order of Melchizedek
- Through Jesus we have a better Covenant
- Jesus is a Perfect Sacrifice
- Hall of Faith
- Encouragement
- Final Instructions

# Hebrews Main Themes

- 1. Jesus is Greater than
- 2. Encouragement through Jesus
- 3. Warning to not turn away from Jesus

# Hebrews: What God said of Jesus and the angels (5-7)

For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"?

Or again, "I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son"?

And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him."

Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, and his ministers a flame of fire."

#### Hebrews: What God says of the Son (8-13)

But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions."

And, "You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning, and the heavens are the work of your hands; they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment, like a robe you will roll them up, like a garment they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will have no end."

And to which of the angels has he ever said, "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet"?

# Why does it matter?

Interview with Keith Green

### Hebrews: Angels and us (14)

Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?

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#### **Hebrews 1 Conclusion**

- 1. It's All About JESUS
  - a. We need to know why we believe what we believe
  - b. We need to teach and encourage others to know Jesus
- 2. IT'S ALL ABOUT JESUS!!!

#### Benediction

Peter

#### Hebrews 13:20-22

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with every goo that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.