



The Superior Son

Hebrews 1:1-4

I. God Has Spoken (1:1-2)

a) “various times”

- 1) God did not reveal all truth at one time under the old covenants.
- 2) It was revealed (released) part by part, over thousands of years.
- 3) First hinted at - **Gen. 3:15**
- 4) Later, to Abraham - **Gen. 12:1-3**
- 5) Continued through many of the prophets

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b) “various ways”

1) Dreams

1) Jacob - **Gen. 28:12-15** ; Joseph - **Gen. 37:5,9**

2) Urim and Thummim – **Ex. 28:30; 1 Sam. 28:6**

3) Written words – **Ex. 31:18; Dan. 5**

4) Voices – **Deut. 5:23**

5) Symbols – **Jer. 1:11-13**

6) Nature – **Psalms 19:1-3; Rom. 1:20**

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c) “spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets”

- 1) The seed of woman – **Gen. 3:15**
- 2) The seed of Abraham – **Gen. 12:3**
- 3) After Malachi, 400 years of silence until the beginning of the gospel.
- 4) ‘prophet’ – to speak for another
- 5) It was God who spoke by the prophets –
2 Pet. 1:21

II. The Great Son (1:2-3)

a) “Has in these last days”

1) ‘last days’ used by many prophets –

**Isa. 2:22; Jer. 23:20; Dan. 10:14; Hosea 3:5;
Micah 4:1**

2) We no longer live in the days waiting for the fulfillment of what God had promised. We now live in the last days and see God fulfill his promises through His Son.

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b) “spoken to us by His Son”

- 1) God is now communicating His will through Jesus Christ – **Matt. 17:5; John 1:17,18**
- 2) Jesus is that last great prophet who was to come – **Acts 3:22, 23**
- 3) The message was first spoken by Jesus, then by those who were commissioned by him – **Heb. 2:3**
- 4) The Son is to be the final spokesman

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c) “whom He has appointed heir of all things”

1) Not just a son, The only and firstborn son – **John 3:16**

2) The Father has promised everything to the Son as inheritance – **John 3:35**

“The Father loves the Son, and has given all things into His hand.”

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d) “through whom also He made the worlds”

- 1) The Lord Jesus was present and called The Word before He became flesh - **John 1:1-3,14**
- 2) The Son was the creation instrument –
Col. 1:15,16

III. Purification of Sin (1:3)

a) “who being the brightness of His glory”

1) That glory was temporarily embodied in flesh
- **John 1:14**

2) Prayed to return to that before being made
flesh – **John 17:5**

*“And now, O Father, glorify Me together with
Yourself, with the glory which I had with You
before the world was.”*

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- b) “and the express image of His person and upholding all things by the word of His power”
 - 1) He is the one with the whole nature of God in Him
 - 2) The very essence of the Father – **Col. 1:15,16**
 - 3) His powerful words uphold the universe

III. Purification of Sin (1:3)

c) “when He had by himself purged our sins”

1) The Son was both the perfect sacrifice and the High Priest – **Heb. 9:11-15**

III. Purification of Sin (1:3)

d) “sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high”

- 1) To sit down suggests the work was complete - **John 17:4**
- 2) “it is finished”
- 3) The right hand of God indicates high honor, rank, and position – **Matt. 26:64**
- 4) Psalmist referred to the power of the Son – **Psa. 110:1-2**

Conclusion

- To the follower of Christ, This letter to the Hebrews was meant to encourage and exhort
- Jesus is the High Priest with the perfect blood that is able to cleanse you of your sins.
- He accomplished God's Plan for the salvation of man. He is at a place of power at God's right hand – Will you submit to Him?