

Heb 1:1-7

HEBREWS -- "GOD SPEAKS"

MANY JEWS HAD ACCEPTED CHRIST -- THIS -- THEY HAD STEPPED OUT OF JUDAISM INTO CHRISTIANITY

THE PERSECUTION BY THEIR COUNTRYMEN -- MADE THEM WANT TO WANT TO GO BACK --

THE WRITER OF HEBREWS -- ^{LE} EXHORTS THEM ^{LE} "GO ON UNTO PERFECTION" [6:1]

THE APPEAL IS BASED ON -- THE SUPERIORITY OF CHRIST OVER THE JUDAIC SYSTEM --

- ① CHRIST IS BETTER THAN ANGELS -- THEY WORSHIP HIM
- ② CHRIST IS BETTER THAN MOSES -- HE CREATED HIM --
- ③ CHRIST IS BETTER THAN THE ARCONIC PRIESTHOOD --
FOR HIS SACRIFICE WAS ONCE FOR ALL TIME --
- ④ CHRIST IS BETTER THAN THE LAW -- FOR HE MEDIATES A BETTER COVENANT --

(IN CONCLUSION)

THERE IS MORE TO BE GAINED IN CHRIST -- THAN TO BE LOST IN JUDAISM --

~~AND INCLUDING REVELATION~~ INCLUDING REVELATION THERE ARE 22 EPISTLES IN THE NEW TESTAMENT:

[THEY ARE ADDRESSED 3 WAYS]

- ① 9 ARE ADDRESSED TO CHRISTIAN CHURCHES --
- ② 4 ARE ADDRESSED TO INDIVIDUALS --
- ③ 9 ARE ADDRESSED TO JEWISH CHRISTIANS --

- EACH GROUP OF 9 BEGINS WITH A THEOLOGICAL TREATISE WHICH INTERPRET THE OLD TESTAMENT IN LIGHT OF CHRIST AND CALVARY -

① ROMANS INTRODUCES THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE GOSPEL TO ISRAEL'S "MORAL LAW" APPEALING TO "THE 'MORAL LAW' OF OLD TESTAMENT PROPHETIC MINISTRY" -

② HEBREWS INTRODUCES THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE GOSPEL TO ISRAEL'S "RITUAL LAW" APPEALING TO OLD TESTAMENT "PRIEST MINISTRY"

THE GOSPEL - BASED ON CHRIST AND CALVARY -
"A BETTER COVENANT" - WHICH MADE THE OLD OBSOLETE: - NEW COVENANT = "LAST DAYS" -
NOW DWELLS IN BELIEVER'S HEARTS

"BETTER" USED THROUGHOUT THE EPISTLE - IS TO SHOW - FOR ALL ITS OUTWARD 'POMP' & 'SPLENDOR' -
- JUDAISM WAS A POOR SECOND TO -
CHRISTIANITY :

"BETTER"

- CHRIST IS "BETTER" THAN THE ANGELS -
- WE HAVE A "BETTER" COVENANT -
- A "BETTER" SACRIFICE -
- A "BETTER" RESURRECTION -

"LEST" USED MANY TIMES -

USED TO EXPRESS THE DREAD POSSIBILITY

OF MISSING THE REAL ~~ON~~ EXPERIENCE
WITH GOD -- ALTOGETHER !!!

⊙ WARNING ARE MADE ~ 5 TIMES IN:
(2:1-4) (3:7-4:13) (5:11-6:20) (10:26-39)
AND (12:15-29)

HOW APPROPRIATE -- NO HUMAN NAME IS
ATTACHED TO THE EPISTLE -- IT SIMPLY SAYS:
"GOD!"

IS SPEAKING: "SO" THE HUMAN AUTHOR FADES INTO
OBSCURITY -- AS WE STUDY -- GOD IS SPEAKING --

"GOD IS SAYING: CHRIST AND THE NEW TESTAMENT
TRUTHS -- AND -- "THE CHRISTIAN FAITH" -- STAND FAR
BEYOND ANYTHING "FOUND" OR "EXPRESSED" IN
THE JEWISH RELIGION --

THIS IS THE OPENING THEME:

⌈ THE SONSHIP OF CHRIST PROCLAIMED BY
GOD -- (1-3)

⊙ REVEALS HOW GOD HAS SPOKEN -- (1-2a)
→ GOD COMMUNICATES -- TO MANKIND --

① BY THE PROPHETS --
(VARIOUS TIMES -- IN VARIOUS WAYS)

MULTI-PARTED -- } BITS & PIECES
MULTI-MANNERED -- } ~~THESE~~ NOW
COMPLETE

REFERRING TO GOD'S REVELATION OF HIMSELF
ESPECIALLY FROM ABRAHAM TO MALACHI.

GOD SPOKE:

- ① - SOMETIMES BY THE SPIRIT DIRECTLY UPON HIS SERVANTS -
- ② - SOMETIMES THROUGH ANGELS - OR IN THEOPHANIES - (APPEARANCES OF GOD HIMSELF AS AN ANGEL OF JEHOVAH) ABRAHAM (GEN 18) JOSHUA - (CHAPTER 5)
- ③ SOMETIMES BY CONFERRED WISDOM - AS PROVERBS & ECCLESIASTES -
- ④ SOMETIMES THROUGH PUTTING WORDS IN THE MOUTH OF HIS PROPHETS -
- ⑤ SOMETIMES THROUGH PROPHECYIC VISIONS OR DREAMS -

? GOD SPOKE INDEED THROUGH THE OLD TESTAMENT WRITERS - BUT - THIS WAS BEFORE -
GOD SPEAK UNTO US IN HIS SON -

- ① HIS SON - ②
GOD HAS GONE BEYOND THESE - "GOD"
SPEAKS - THE SON - GOD - IS THERE -

→ A PERFECT VEHICLE OF GOD EXPRESSION -

"THE EXPRESS IMAGE OF" =

"ENGRAVED" OR "IMPRESSED"

[OUT-RAYING DIRTY]

THE LINES & IMPRESSION OF DIETY HAVE BEEN
"REPRODUCED" OR EXACT "TRANSLATION" OF

J.B. PHILLIPS PUTS IT = "GOD IN FOCUS"

"THE EXPRESSION OF ALL THAT IS IN GOD'S HEART"
DIVINE = UPHOLDING, MAINTAINING, GUIDING, IMPARTING
AS CREATOR & REDEEMER

① CREATOR - "WE MADE THE WORLDS" - ②

② MEDIATOR - "THE BRIGHTNESS OF GOD" - ③

HIS GLORY - "MESSIAH" - "OFFERED HIMSELF" - ACCOMPLISHED -
HIS PERSON - "SON" - FORGIVENESS OF SINS
HIS POWER - "GIVEN ALL POWER" - [CLEANSING] -
RIDDANCE OF [GUILT]

③ REDEEMER - "BY HIMSELF" PURGED OUR SINS - ③
- "PURIFICATION" OF SIN - - -

NOT ONLY THE
PURGING ON THE CROSS - - - WHERE REMISSION
OF SIN WAS SECURE - - - BUT - - - THE WHOLE
"TASK" OF CHRIST - - - THE REMOVAL OF SINS
FROM GOD'S SIGHT - - - THE "PERFECT" SACRIFICE
- A COMPLETED WORK -

④ REIGNING - "SAT DOWN AT THE RIGHT HAND
OF THE FATHER" ③

(HE SHALL REIGN - "FOREVER")

I THE SONSHIP OF CHRIST PRONOUNCED BY GOD -
"BETTER THAN THE ANGELS" --- (4-7)

A MORE EXCELLENT NAME -- GOD PRONOUNCES

(NO NAME CAN COMPARE TO "JESUS" NAME)

MICHAEL = "IN MIGHT" COMMANDER IN CHIEF
OF THE ARMIES OF HEAVEN -

GABRIEL = "IN MINISTRY" HE CARRIED MESSAGES
FROM GOD TO MAN -

LUCIFER = "IN MAJESTY" THE ANNOINTED CHERUB
SON OF THE MORNING (Ezek 28:14, Isa 14:12)

JESUS -- NOT ^{JUST} MIGHTY, MESSENGER, MAJESTY --
"HE IS THE SON -- THE BRILLIANCE OF THE
"FATHER" -- "HE IS LORD"

(A) YOU ARE MY SON - (5)

(B) I AM YOUR FATHER - (6)

(C) ALL THE ANGELS WORSHIP HIM - (6)

(1) THEY MINISTER UNDER HIS CONTROL - (7)

(2) BEFORE HIS THRONE -- AS A FLAME OF FIRE (7)

-- "CONSUMING" ALL THAT HE
COMMANDS --

- GOD SPEAKS "THROUGH" HIS SON - (vs 1-7)

- GOD SPEAKS "TO" HIS SON - (vs 8-14)

- GOD SPEAKS TO US - (2:1) HIS SONS "NEXT"
(THE THINGS WE HAVE HEARD)

HE ACCOMPLISHED SALVATION ~ BY TAKING ON A BODY
IN WHICH HE COULD DIE ~ FOR SINIS + SINNERS ~ -
"VOLUNTARY HUMILIATION"

- GOD SPEAKS "TO" HIS SON -

GOD PROCLAIMS THE LORD JESUS AS ---
THE "SON OF GOD" --- THIS IS :

"DEMONSTRATED" IN "4 WAYS"

I] CHRIST IS THE PERSON OF GOD - (8-9)

A] CHRIST'S SOVEREIGNTY - "THY THRONE"
EARTHLY THRONE --- SYBOL OF "AUTHORITY"

(ADMINISTRATED)
→ TO ADMINISTERE --- UNTIL (COR 15:25)

(SCPTRE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS) (HE MUST REIGN TILL HE HATH PUT ALL
"DEATH + SIN" --- "ENEMIES"

(IS) (SCPTRE OF THY KINGDOM) "TO ADMINISTERE A COVENANT"

HERE --- WITH "SOVEREIGNTY"

AS GOD --- IS GOD --- TOTAL AUTHORITY
TO RULE --- "O" "GOD" (8)

[THE ONE AND ONLY]

⑧ CHRIST'S DIETY - ⑧

"ONLY GOD" - "GOD"

CAN RULE "THE UNIVERSE" & "THE KINGDOM" -

"FOREVER & EVER" = (DIETY)

⑨ CHRIST'S ~~ADJUNCTION~~ (INTEGRITY) - "UPRIGHTNESS" (US 8)

HIS KINGDOM IS ORGANIZED AROUND ONE PRINCIPLE = (HE LOVES RIGHTEDOUSNESS)

⑩ CHRIST'S SPIRITUALITY - ⑩

- GOD, EVEN GOD, HATH ANNOINTED THEE -

THE LORD HAS BEEN ANNOINTED - "BY GOD"

- NO "HIGHER ANNOINTING" -

① TO REDEEM - (HE WAS CRUCIFIED)

"SAVE SINNERS" & ESTABLISH "RIGHTEDOUSNESS"

② TO REIGN - (HE WAS RESURRECTED)

③ IN THE CHURCH -

④ IN THE ETERNITIES -

"PROVING" HIMSELF &

BY HIS "LIFE" & "CHARACTER" - TO BE WORTHY CHRIST'S THRONE:

BY THE ETERNAL, IMMUTABLE "GOD & FATHER"

II HIS POSITION AS GOD - (10-11)

A CREATOR - (10)

"IN THE BEGINNING" - "YOU"
"WORKS OF HIS HANDS"

① FOUNDED = (LAID FOUNDATION)
"EARTH" - "GOD WILLED CREATION"

NOW: "TEMPERARY" & "TERMINAL"
(THEY SHALL PERISH)

② FASHIONED = "THE HEAVENS"
HOLY SPIRIT → (PRECISION) & (PROFOUND)

B CHANGELESS - (11) THOU "REMAINEST"

THEY CHANGE -- AS A GARMENT
WHAT CHRIST MADE -- WILL PASS AWAY --
-- THEY WILL "FOLD-UP" -- AND NO
LONGER EXIST -- AS WE KNOW IT --
GOD DOES NOT TO PRESERVE FOREVER --
"THIS PRESENT CREATION"

-- BUT --

CHRIST REMAINS FOREVER -- NEVER --
TO CHANGE -- HE IS:

AS A FIXED PRESENCE IN THE
UNIVERSE --

BE THANKFUL CHRIST IS CHANGELESS. HE WILL ALWAYS HELP YOU
WHEN NEEDED -- & -- FORGIVE YOU -- WHEN YOU FALL --

III] HIS PERMANENCE AS GOD - (12)

"THOU ART THE SAME" +

THY YEARS "SHALL NOT FAIL"

SINCE THE SON IS GOD - HE IS PERPETUAL AS
- GOD EXPRESSED -

(A) HIS LOVE WILL BE PERMANENT -

HE LOVED US FOREVER

- TO ACCOMPLISH GOD'S PLAN -

① AT CALVARY -

NEVER

② AT CRUCIFIXION -

FAIL

③ AT PUNISHMENT FOR SIN -

[A NEW COVENANT OF LIFE
CHRIST APPOINTED TO ACCOMPLISH - BY GOD]

(B) HIS PERSON -

[SINCE THE SON IS GOD - HE IS ETERNAL LORD]

FAIR & JUST = (MERCIFUL)

THIS IS "PERMANENT" FOR THE BELIEVER

FROM EVERLASTING TO EVERLASTING
"THOU ART GOD"

✓ YOU ARE THE SAME AND YOUR YEARS WILL NOT FAIL - BE THANKFUL THAT CHRIST IS CHANGELESS - BECAUSE - HE WILL ALWAYS HELP YOU WHEN YOU NEED IT - AND - OFFER FORGIVENESS WHEN YOU FALL -

IV] HIS ~~PREMINENCE~~ AS GOD - (13-14)

~~PREMINENCE~~ } THE STRESSED FACT -
PREMINENCE - THROUGHOUT THE BOOK
CHRIST - LEAVES NOTHING OUT - IT IS FINISHED - AND
HE IS SITTING AT THE - RIGHT HAND OF GOD -

(A) AT HIS THRONE -

- ALL ENEMIES ARE DETHRONED -

NO ONE CAN SHARE HIS THRONE - -

NO ONE IS INVITED - [EXCEPT BELIEVERS]

- BY FAITH -

LUCIFER:

TRIED TOO - - BUT - -

(HE WAS HURLED OUT OF HEAVEN)

CHRIST "POSSESSES" THE RIGHT TO SIT

AT GOD'S RIGHT HAND - [INTERCEEDING]

FOR US - TRUE

WE SHARE - [IN WHATEVER HE INHERITS]

(B) AT HIS COMMAND - (ANGELS)

- ANGELS PURPOSE TO SERVE - CHRIST TO REIGN
MINISTERING SPIRITS - - - WHO

SERVE & ARE SENT - FOR GOD

FOR: THOSE WHO ARE TO - INHERIT SALVATION -

TO SERVE US - BECAUSE ~~GOD~~ GOD

"LOVES US" & "HE" -

(WILL PROVIDE OUR NEEDS)

(vs 13)

[I SET YOUR ENEMIES AS A FOOTSTOOL - FOR YOUR FEET]
AND

- NEVER FORSAKE US - HIS CHILDREN -