

# WHO IS THE SON?

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## INTRODUCTION

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**TEXT:** *“God, having of old time spoken unto the fathers in the prophets by divers portions and in divers manners, hath at the end of these days spoken unto us in his Son,”* (Heb. 1:1). **WHO IS THE SON?**

1. “Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of a heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, even Jesus;” (3:1).
  2. This vision of the absolute supremacy and sufficiency of Christ dominates the thoughts of the whole Epistle.
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## GOD HAS SPOKEN

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### A. VARIOUS WAYS GOD SPOKE OF OLD TO OUR FATHERS.

1. A God who speaks to man.
2. The distinguishing mark of true religion.
3. He has never left Himself without witness.

### B. TO OUR FATHERS:

1. Not just the patriarchs.
2. But all of the faithful.

### C. BY MEANS OF “THE PROPHETS”.

1. Prophet means - “spokesman”.
2. All of those through whom God spoke. Not just Moses.

### D. BUT IN THESE “LAST DAYS”

1. Does not concern itself with length of time.
2. O.T. often speaks of “last days” (Gen. 49:1; Num. 24:14; Isa. 2:2; )

### E. IN THESE “LAST DAYS” GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS SON.

1. The obvious suggestion is that God had for us a message that was:
    - a. Greater than one that could be carried by just any messenger.
    - b. But one that demanded God’s Son.”
  2. It is to Him that we now want to turn our attention.
  3. **Since God has spoken to us in His Son (v.2) It is all important that we know “WHO IS THE SON!”**
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## Son - Superior To Angels

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### A. IMPORTANCE ANCIENT WORLD GAVE TO ANGELS.

1. In O.T. angels often appeared to men.
  - a. Abraham (Gen. 18)
  - b. Lot; (Gen. 19)
  - c. At sacrifice of Isaac, (Gen. 22)
  - d. To Moses; (Exodus 2).

### B. GREEKS GAVE MUCH EMPHASIS TO COMING DIVINE Messengers.

### C. IN N.T. AMONG CHRISTIANS AROSE PROBLEM.

1. Was Christ....God?....If so how could He die?
2. Was Christ...Just a man?....If so how could he Atone?

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3. Therefore....Angel....This would solve their problem. Much of Colossian Letter written to end this controversy.
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### THOU ART "MY" SON

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- A. "For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, This day have I begotten thee/ and again, I will be to him a Father, And he shall be to me a Son? (V 5).
1. Never spoken to an angel.
  2. Thou art "my Son."
- B. "Let all God's angels worship him" (v. 6).
- C. Angels wind, servants flame of fire (v. 7)
- D. To son..."Thy throne, O god is for ever and ever" (v. 8)
- E. Scepter of thy kingdom...(v. 9).
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### WHO IS THIS SON?

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- A. HE IS APPOINTED HEIR OF ALL THINGS:
1. Heir is natural consequence of son ship.
  2. His nature is Eternal.
- B. ONE THROUGH WHOM GOD CREATED THE WORLD.
1. See John 1:1ff
  2. He, the Son is not a part of Creation.....**BUT CREATOR.**
- C. HE REFLECTS THE GLORY OF GOD.
1. A time when God was without a world.
  2. But there never was a time when He was without glory.
  3. Jesus Christ is the perfect shining forth and reflection of God among men.
- D. BEARS THE VERY IMAGE OF GOD'S NATURE.
1. An exact reproduction.
  2. Seal....Impression made by seal.
- E. UPHOLDING THE UNIVERSE BY HIS WORD OR POWER.
1. He is the Sustainer of the Cosmos.
  2. Not the idea of a weight lifter who holds it up.
  3. But he bears and guides along the universe in the very way that he wants it to go.
- F. HE MADE "PURIFICATION FOR SINS"
1. Priestly symbolism.
  2. Of His own Death and Sacrifice...he secured for us what could never be attained through Levitical procedures.
  3. **Thus the Son is also The Redeemer.**
- G. SAT DOWN AT THE RIGHT HAND OF MAJESTY ON HIGH:
1. NOT JUST NEAR GOD.....
  2. **But enthroned with Him.**
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### THE SON IS .....

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#### A. EIGHT SUCCESSIVE STATEMENTS ABOUT CHRIST:

1. In His eternal being He is genuine, absolute Deity, the visible outshining of God's glory. (v. 3,4 &8).
2. In the Divine ordering of the universe...(vs. 10)
  - a. He is its Creator, Sustainer and End.
  - b. By Him it was made, He upholds it.
3. He is its Heir.
4. He is man's (our) Prophet, Priest and King.
5. In Him God spoke His **final** word of revelation; so He brings God to men.
6. In His own Person **He purged our sins**, and finished the work of reconciliation. So He brings men to God.
7. He now sits enthroned at God's right hand.

B. As the exalted God-Man He has obtained by inheritance a position far above all others.

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### CONCLUSION

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1. The full significance of this revelation and redemptive work is appreciated only by those who see by faith that the Christ once crucified is now enthroned, and is able to save completely or to the uttermost all who draw near to God through Him. (8:1; 7:25).
  2. It is through Him... THE SON....This Great SON that God Speaks to You.
  3. What are YOU going to do with the Message?
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