

## Hebrews 1:1-14 God has spoken through His Son

- 1) God has communicated to mankind in many different ways; general revelation (through creation) and specific revelation (through messengers like angels & prophets) and the written word of God (referring specifically to the Old Testament Scriptures). How is Jesus Christ superior to God's former revelation (Hebrews 1:1-2)?
- 2) Every December 25<sup>th</sup>, in America, we celebrate "Christmas Day" take some time to discuss Christmas in light of Hebrews 1:1-2 & John 1:14.
  - a) What do people today (generally) think the purpose of Christmas is?
  - b) Would you say people today (in general) connect the dots between "Christmas" and God's revelation of Himself in the person of Jesus Christ?
  - c) What is Christmas all about?
- 3) Part of the confusion surrounding the purpose of "Christmas" (the incarnation of Jesus Christ) is a misunderstanding of the person of Jesus Christ. In Matthew 16:13-14 Jesus asked His disciples this question "who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?"
  - a) Who do people today say Jesus is?
  - b) How does the Bible present Jesus (Hebrews 1:2-3)?
  - c) In Matthew 16:15 Jesus asked the disciples a more personal question "but who do you say that I am?" In your life who is Jesus?
  - d) Why do you think some people are willing to talk about religion but get upset when you share the gospel of Jesus Christ with them?
- 4) Hebrews 1 is filled with citations of Old Testament prophecies concerning Christ (specifically prophecies from the Psalms). What does that tell us about the (at least one) purpose of the Old Testament?
- 5) Before Jesus God had communicated to mankind via messengers (human and angelic) why didn't God just continue to send messengers? Why did Jesus come?
- 6) How does God's revelation of Himself in Jesus help you in life?
- 7) How should God's revelation of Jesus Christ affect the way you think and live?
- 8) Read Hebrews 1:1-14 again; summarize who Jesus is.