

The Hebrews Series - Message 5 - Christ Is Superior To The Angels - Pt 1

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[0 : 00] Welcome. Thank you for choosing to listen to another faith-building message by Pastor David Entry. Faith comes by hearing and by hearing the Word of God.

May your knowledge of Jesus Christ increase as you listen. Be blessed. Hebrews chapter 1. God, who at various times in various ways spoke in times past to the fathers by the prophets, as in these last days spoken to us by his son.

You know, until we started Hebrew, I didn't realize how the son, say the son. Interesting. Say the son.

I didn't realize how the son, S-O-N, is so central to understanding the Bible. So central to understanding God.

Not just Messiah, not just Jesus, the son. The son immediately points us to the second person of the Godhead.

[1 : 11] But, Pastor, I have a question. Why must God decide to divide himself into three? Why doesn't Jesus do what he would do? As God, and decided to divide.

God has never divided himself into three. Some said, just like the way water has different, depending on the temperature, different states. So the solid state of water is what?

Ice. Ice. Say ice. Ice. And then water in its liquid state is water. Do you know the chemical composition of ice?

Chemical composition? Are you sure? Yes. Is it the same chemical composition as the normal water? Yes. Is it the same chemical composition as steam?

Yes. Chemical composition, H₂O. Okay. So why are there different? The temperature determines the state. People say that the God also, sometimes he's like gas.

[2 : 14] Sometimes, depending on the temperature. The way water also, depending on the subject. No, no, no. It's not like that. It's not like that. Don't compare God to. If you have a block of ice, it's the same volume of, the content is the same.

Just melt. So it's not like the ice has melted and it's become water and then the other ice is still there. So the water and the ice can communicate. And then, no. It's the same that has just changed forms or states.

Christ is the second person of the Godhead. The Godhead means God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit. The necessity, listen, this is a very strong one, which many Christians don't know. I discovered that through research recently because how do I say many Christians don't know?

The Trinity is necessary because of God's economy of salvation. Can I say that again? The Trinity is necessary for the purposes of God's economy.

When you say God's economy, that's God's program. God's administration. Another word for economy is dispensation.

[3 : 24] God's plan. It's not like simply God's plan. So why the need for Trinity? Just because of God's plan for redemption or for salvation.

So then God decided to save us. God decided to create us. All right. So the plan, listen to this thing. Oh, oh, thank you, Holy Spirit. Thank you, Jesus. Holy Spirit, thank you. Watch this. The plan of redemption, the plan of salvation is not just because of the fall of Adam.

When we talk about the plan of redemption, it has to do with the purpose of creation. Purpose of creation, God created man for a certain purpose. Man fell.

And so God came, Jesus came to die to redeem us back to God. But it's always there because God has, the reason why God created you and I is so that he will put himself into us.

[4 : 26] That's why when we create a breath into man and then give man food to eat. And he showed him what food not to eat. Even though some of us from indications, if you were in Adam, you are even done worse than Adam did.

Because some things you are not supposed to eat, but you've been eating them every time. So right from the beginning of creation, from the beginning man, man has been given dietary guidance. Restrictions. But it's lack of dietary discipline. I'm just trivializing it to a certain extent, but it's not so much dietary, but it has to do with submission to God's obedience.

It's not diet so much as it is to obedience. That's why Jesus came to obey. God the Son is God the Son because of the original plan of God for humanity.

God has always planned to put himself in us so that we and God will be mingled into one. So God looks at us as his creation and we reflect him.

[5 : 46] But watch this, watch this. No creation can contain the creature. You can't create something. You can't make something. And the thing is the same as you.

Other than the pictures you've been drawing. It doesn't matter how wonderful an artist you are. You can never draw something for you to become your son.

You are believing God for a child. I don't have to marry. I just draw one. It will begin to live. It will be restricted in so many ways. Anything you make can be greater than you.

Yeah. In many ways. Even when you give birth to a child, the child, doesn't matter how old he grows, he can be greater than you in a certain sense.

Because you forever, that relation you share with that child is father and son relationship forever.

Yes. Forever remains like that. If the child has another child, like you are a grandfather.

[6 : 51] So if they have four children, you are a grandfather of four children. He's just a father of four children. You are a grandfather. The relationship never changes. So anything that comes of you.

God can't create us for us to be like him. Like to contain. We can't contain. In fact, he said, the heavens are your food. So the whole hell cannot contain you.

In the book of Acts chapter 17. He said, it is not possible that human hands can build a tabernacle for God to be in. So when God told David, I'm going to build a tabernacle.

He wasn't talking about physical temple. Because you can't build a physical temple and expect God to come in. I think it's in Acts chapter 17, verse 23 or somewhere there.

He said, it's not possible for creatures, for us to create something. He said, the whole earth is your footstool. So you can't build me a house.

[7 : 46] God told David, your son will build a house. David wanted to build him a house. He said, no, it's not my plan for you to build a house. One from your loins. The son. But the son he spoke about is not talking about Solomon.

Solomon didn't have what he took. That's why Jesus said, I'll build my church. But the reason why God blessed David and said that you will be the one to carry the church builder.

Or my house builder. Is because David, when he was very comfortable. In the day of his comfort.

You have to be careful how you think in the day of your comfort.

When you are struggling, it's very easy to be humble. Struggling people are humble. What I'm trying to say is that when in your day of comfort.

That's when we find what is in you. In your day of comfort. In your day of pressure too. A lot of things that are in you begin to come up. Because by your day of need.

[8 : 49] When you are really in need. When you are sick, you receive the prayer like that. And we say, Shilohawa, you will come. After a while, when you are very comfortable.

And now you are earning six figure salary. You are earning six figure salary. And you have people to be commanding.

And then suddenly you say, oh, we have been commanded that we are fasting. So we're fasting.

These boys don't understand all this kind of. You see? The body works in a certain way.

The body works in a certain way.

And you cannot allow the body to go too long without food. When you are looking for a wife. You fasted 40 days. Dry fasting.

[9 : 55] Dry fasting. Dry fasting. Dry fasting. You were willing to do all that. Have you seen a house growing before? Houses don't grow. But according to Ephesians chapter 2.

Verse 20 and I think 21. It talks about being built on the way. We grow up into a holy house. All right. It talks about being built on a positive.

Look at verse 21. Who we will build fitted together. Grows into a holy temple. We are a house. Go to verse 20 and see. Verse 20.

It talks about having been built. We. Okay. Go to verse 19. Yes. Household of God. So now, therefore, we are no longer strangers and foreigners. But we are fellow teachers and saints and members of what? God's household.

We are God's household. Go to verse 20. Being built. So we are being built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophet. The things that apostles taught is what we are supposed to be continuing.

[10 : 50] The things that the prophet spoke about. All about Messiah. That's what is our foundation. As a church. Okay. We are being built on these foundations. Christ himself being the chief cornerstone.

Everything hinges on him. Watch this. Go to the verse 21. In whom? In whom? In Christ also who? The whole building. Being fitted together. Grows into a holy temple.

Buildings don't grow. But this kind of building grows. And when the building finishes growing. Do you know what it becomes? It becomes a city called New Jerusalem. So God started with a garden. But his plan was to get a city. And he said that I saw the city. The New Jerusalem coming down from heaven. Being at dawn. Prepared like a bride. For his groom.

A city is a bride. And we are. And the lamb is the groom. The city and the church. Is the bride of the lamb. In Revelation. Go and go.

[11 : 48] Find time and read it. Alright. So back to what I started. I've said a lot of things. In this short time. A lot of heavy theological stuff. But the point I'm making here is that.

God's plan is to build a house. So when David said. I want to build your house. God said. No you can't build me a house. But you know what. For the fact that it has entered your heart. Because in your day of comfort. You said. No. I'm comfortable. I want to make sure God's temple is better. So I want to be. God said. David. You can't build me a house. In 2 Samuel chapter 7. You can't build me a house. You can't build me a house. David. David. David. But since this one has entered your heart. I'm telling you. From verse 12. 2 Samuel chapter 7.

He said. I'm telling you. I'm going to build your house. I'm going to build your house. So verse 13. Go to verse 13. He said. I'm going to build your house. And then. And then. When your days are fulfilled. He said. I'll raise a son.

After you. And he said. Is your son that will build me a house? No. That son he spoke about. That's what Paul was talking about. That Solomon didn't build that temple. The temple Solomon built.

[12 : 44] Is not what God was talking about. It's the church. He's talking about Christ himself. Who come and build. I get in it. So the son. Is the builder. Of the house.

Let's all say that together. The son. Is the builder. Of the house. And so. The son. Is the son. Because of the economy of God. Now you see where I started from. The program of God. For him. For him. To live in us. It cannot happen. Outside of the son. Trinity exists. For God's economy. Not God's nature.

God's nature. Is one. The son. So now. When you read the Bible. And you come across the son. Take particular notice of it. Especially Hebrews. I noticed he spoke a lot about the son.

So far from the beginning. Opening comments of Hebrews. In Hebrews. He says that. God. In various times. In various ways. Spoke. In times past. To the fathers.

[13 : 40] By the prophets. Has in this last day. Has in this last day. Spoken. To us. By his son. Who he. By what. His son. That has come there. Started in Hebrews.

God. And then. Some prophets. And I said. God has changed. The prophets. Are not better than. His son. In this last day. Spoken to us. By his son. Then he goes on.

To talk about. The son. Said. Who. You remember. Who. He. Who he has appointed. Heir of all things. Through whom. Also. He. He made.

The world. Now. He puts other two. Verse 10. Talks about how. By you. You laid the foundations. Of the earth. Okay. For his fitting for him. For whom are all things. And by whom are all.

All things. In bringing many sons. Okay. I think it's. Chapter. Chapter. Chapter. Chapter one. Verse 10. Rather. He laid the foundation. Of the earth. All right. Chapter one. Verse 10. Hebrews chapter

one. Verse 10.

[14:33] He laid the foundation. So. Christ. Is. Is. And you Lord. In the beginning. Laid the foundation. That's talking about. Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ.

He laid the foundation. Of the earth. So. By whom. All things were created. Now. Why was. Is Hebrew. So particular. About the son. Because. This is. I'm going to. Say something. I haven't said so far. Which should have come. I should have said earlier. In the opening comments. Of Hebrew. If you want to really. Have a better grasp. Of the new testament. And you don't have much time. And you have to read.

Just one or two books. The books. You are. You should read. You have to read. To get a better. Grasp. Of the new testament. Is Romans. Efficient. And Hebrews.

These three books. Because. These three books. Tell us. Kind of. Summary. Give us a summary. A better grasp. Of. The new testament. In what way.

[15:28] They are. A summary. Of a verse. In the old testament. The other three books. Are a summary. Of a verse. In the old testament. In the verse. Sometimes. Seven words.

But usually. You can talk about. It's six words. All the time. It was quoted. In the new testament. Three times. It was quoted. It's six words. Six words. In the old testament. In Habakkuk chapter. Two verse. Four. It was quoted. Seven words. Habakkuk chapter. Two verse. Four. They said. It's not a whole verse. Just a phrase. It says that. But the just. Say the just.

The just. She shall live. Shall live. By his faith. By his faith. How many ways. The just. The just. Two. Shall live. Four. Shall live.

Four. By. Five. His. Six. Faith. Seven. But all the times. It was quoted. In the new testament. In Romans chapter. One verse. 17.

[16:22] Galatians chapter. Three verse. 11. Hebrews chapter. Ten verse. 38. It said. The just. Shall live by faith. Let's all say. The just. Shall live by faith. That is. That word. That. That verse.

Is what provoked. The reformation. Martin Luther discovered. Ah. That's all. That's all. The new testament hinges on that. Can you imagine? And Romans. Ephesians and Hebrews.

Are a summary. Or. Not a summary. They are. They are. Exposition. Now. Every one of them. Takes two. Two verses. So Romans.

Focus on the just. Say the just. The just. That's why it tells you. How you become. Justified before God. Romans is all about. And then Ephesians tells you. Shall live. How a Christian lives.

In Ephesians. That's when it tells us. How we should live in the church. How we should live. As husbands and wives. How we should relate to our. Our family members. How we should relate to. The authorities. Our employers.

[17:18] Those of you have been stealing. From your employers. How we should relate to our employers. And how we should relate to the government. It's very interesting. It starts with. What Christ has done for us. Then tells us. How we should live.

So Ephesians chapter 1. To chapter 3. Talks about. What God has done. Ephesians chapter 4. To chapter 6. Talks about. How you should live. Based on that. So the just. Shall live.

Say shall live. Shall live. And say by faith. So the two. Last two words. By faith. Hebrews tells us. Faith. All about faith. But you know.

I didn't know that. Tells us how to live by faith. Now you can't live by faith. If you don't have a revelation. Of the object of faith. Now the object of our faith.

Is Christ. Listen. When it comes to faith. It's not. Quantity is not necessary. Wow. I need more faith. You don't need more faith. They came to Jesus. They said. Master.

[18:12] Increase our faith. He said. You don't need an increase in faith. If you have faith. As little. As a mustard seed. I think that's in Mark chapter 5. Verse 6. Or Luke 5.

Luke 6. 5. I think it should be Mark. Mark 5. 6. Somewhere there. They said. They said. Lord. Increase our faith. Jesus said. If you have faith. Like a mustard seed. So it's not the quantity you need.

It's the quality you need. And the quality of your faith. Has everything to do with. Your estimation. Understanding. Appropriation. Of the object of your faith. What your faith is based on.

Is what determines the strength of your faith. Why do you think I stood on this chair? I knew that. The chair is strong enough. If it was weak. I wouldn't have stood on it. So my confidence in the chair.

Is based on my understanding. Of the strength of the chair. So the value of your faith. Because faith. Is about the son. He's the object of our faith.

[19 : 11] And so. For you to have strong faith. You have to have a strong perception. Perspective. Understanding. Of the son. So.

If you. If you. If you don't know. The son. Your faith. Is really weak. Pastor. Last week I quoted. I don't know why I like quoting this scripture.

I feel like bouncing before I quote it. He said. Lord. If it is you. Bid me to come. Because. As long as it is you.

Peter. When he walked on water. The first time. Ever. Any human being. Apart from Jesus. Walked on water. Is because of his faith. In the Jesus. Who told him.

Come on the water. Don't say. I want to have more faith. You don't need more faith. You need quality faith. Quantity is not necessary. When it comes to faith. It's a quality.

[20 : 10] The fineness of your faith. And the fineness of your faith. It has everything to do with your understanding. Your perception. Your revelation. About Christ. It's the son.

Say the son. The son. And so. Hebrews opens up. We say that God. In times past. Now he's ministering to us. Now he's speaking to us. Spoken to us. By the son. Who.

Verse 2. Verse 2. In a. Speaking to understand. Whom he has appointed heir of all things. Through whom. He also made the wealth. Verse 3. Verse 3. Whom being the brightness of his glory.

God is glorious. But how would you see. It takes Christ to see the brightness of God's glory. Who being the brightness of his glory. And the express.

I've discovered. That the word translated his person. Person. Person. Someone say person.

Person. The express. What you read some different translation. I don't know what translation you've got.

[21 : 09] Has anybody got a translation that uses a different word than person? His heart. You find. His person. His person.

His person. Now. The. The. The. The. Last week I told you. The word translated his person. Also means his essence. Like.

What is God? The. The. The substance of God. The. You know. If this. So. What is God? The tangibility of God is expressed in Christ.

The Greek word translated person. Pastor. I found out. Is the same Greek word translated. Now. Faith is the. Substance.

Right. The same. Hopus. Substance. The. The. The. The substance. Of faith. The substance. Okay. So. The substance of God. The person of God.

[22 : 07] Christ. Is the immediate expression of the substance of God. The person of God. The essence of God. Who. God. Watch this.

Who God. Really. Do we know your substance? There are times some of you. I know in your houses. You have some wonderful flowers. But those flowers never grow. They never shrink. They never die.

They don't need water. Amazing flowers. They are eternal. They are like they are eternal.

Wonderful flowers. The substance of those flowers. Are. Synthetic.

It's something that is not natural. So. If you want to know the quality of it. And check the substance. Do you know why that shoe. Couldn't stand the rain.

Okay. It's raining. You take your. Your jacket. Out. In the rain. And you come. The jacket is so soaked. And then. The. The. The. The. The. The. The. The. Dry clean. And say. We can't do anything about the thing again.

[23 : 02] Because it's gone. Meanwhile. Someone also takes. Goes on the rain. Comes back. And the same thing is fine. Because the substance are different. This is. This. This. This is. Um. Wool.

And the other one is. Actually. Wool. No. No. I'm not talking about the quality. I'm talking about rain jacket. Yeah. Okay. Rain jacket. Nylon or something.

It's. It's. It has to do with the substance. And Bible says. Christ. Is. He is the substance. The act.

When you want to talk about God. God. He is the immediate substance.

Expression of God's substance. Why did he have to come and be a person. A second person to die.

Why did he have to. Because he had to come. According to 2 Timothy chapter. I. Chapter 1 verse.

Oh. Jacob chapter 1 verse. Oh. Yeah. That's good. 2 Timothy chapter 1 verse 9. He talks about.

Hey. 2 Timothy chapter 1 verse 9. He talks about. Who has saved us.

[23 : 58] And called us. With a holy calling. Not according to our works. But according to his purpose. And his grace. Which he has given to us. In Christ. Before. Time began. See. Christ.

It all has to do with. The. God's economy. Right. He is a son. Because of God. All this thing was given to us. In Christ. Right. Not. Not in God. God gave it to us.

It takes Christ. To experience God. God. So. Bible says that. He. Jesus Christ. Being the express image. Of his person.

Let me finish this text. Who being the express image. Of his person. Upholds all things. By the word of his power. How many of you. Have heard about.

Centrifugal force. And we are told by science. That we are living on earth. You should be flying away. One day you are driving your car.

[24 : 58] You are going. Because the whole thing is going around. And it prepares us. Away from the center. Anything that moves. Around. Or spins. Moves objects. Away from the center.

Of the rotation. This is just science 101. Do you understand that? But Bible says that. Listen. Listen. Listen. He. Upholds. All things. By the word. Of his. When he said. Let them be. Be. Be. Be.

Be. Be. Be. Be. Be. Be. Be. Be. Be. Be. He's spoken. And he keeps everything together. He pushed up to one verse three. He said. He opposed. all things by the and putting all things by the word of his power. That's why your heart has not decided to pump blood reverse.

Like the way we used to have this record players. Show your power. Oh Lord. Show your power. Or some of you, when your CDs get scratched.

[26 : 00] The reason why your life is not running like a scratched CD is because it sustains all things by the word of his power. That's why it takes a word to heal. He said he sent his word and healed them. Because when something goes out of order, it takes a word because he sustains, upholds all things by the word of his power. This is the psalm we are talking about.

But I want to end quickly on, put it back on the screen, Hebrews 1 verse 3. I put you on things by the word of his power. You remember last week who went here by himself, perched our sins, sat down at the right hand of the majesty.

The world is in chaos because of sin. There is a force. What I spoke about, the word of his power. There is force. Say there is a force. Scientists keep searching, searching, then they come to the conclusion there is a force but they can't name it.

There is a force somewhere. Recently, they said they are looking for the hex bosom. The hex bosom. That thing, that thing that caused the big bang. That thing. That thing.

There must be a force somewhere. That something must have started something. No, no, no. He can't be God. He can't be God. So what is this? There's something, something. There's something. And what started that thing? What that something? Where did that something come from?

[27 : 25] They come and kept going. They come to a brick wall and there's still something. But we don't want to call it God. When you don't know God, when you speak, there's a lot of nonsense that is inside it.

If you don't have God, you have a very uncertain future. He sustains all things or he opposes all things by the word of his power. And he says that after he who by himself, after he has pledged us from our sins, sat down.

You remember Sitesan? That's a lot already. And then verse four. Let me just end there. Let's read that statement. Let's all read verse four.

Let's read verse four. What does it say? Having become more than the angels, as he has been by the angels. Obtain them more. Excellent. Amen. Lord have mercy.

He has become more better. I said, having become so much better. Remember Hebrews? The overriding word in Hebrews. There are 13 betters in the book of Hebrews. Better, better, better, better, better.

[28 : 26] Something was good, but Christ is better. Something was good, but the son is better. This was good. So he started, watch this quickly. The reason why I'm ending on this one. So he started with God. Now, in those times, there is a higher estimation of angels.

Those days, angels, so even people believe that Archangel Michael and Archangel Gabriel were in the same class as Jesus. Oh, no, sorry, the Messiah was coming. They had some grandiose, wonderful estimation of angels.

Because, to be honest, amongst all the created things, angels are higher. Among all the created things. They work with God directly. They stand in his presence.

Bible says they are his ministry spirits. You have made your angels spirits. Spirits. Some verses said, look at verse 6. You have made your angels spirits. Or you have made them wind. You have made them wind. Some verses says wind. Other verses says spirit. But verse 7. Look at verse 7. It said, your angels, who have made his angels spirits. And they are ministers of flaming fire.

[29 : 35] Wind and fire. Two of the most destructive things on our earth. Which wind is not controlled. It can destroy so much. But it's always necessary to have.

The angels are wind. And flaming fire. They are amazing. So, the estimation of angels has always been high.

Then, he said, Hebrews. Listen. Hebrews. Listen. The sun is higher than angels. It's better. More. Put it on the screen again. Verse 4. Verse 4.

Verse 4 says that, having become so much better than the angels. Then, he said that, because he has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than them.

Then, you look at the argument. Look at the argument. Verse 5. You look at the argument. For which of the angels did he ever say, you are my son? He never told an angel you are a son.

[30 : 37] For which of the angels did he ever say, you are my son? Today, I have begotten you.

And again, I will be to him a father and there shall be to me a son. No, angels don't have that qualification. Angel, but he says son.

Son. Jesus is the son. Yes. He is the son. He is the son of God. I told you who is a son.

A son is the expresser. The one who expresses God. You know, but angels don't come close to him. Even though. But I know what scripture that will come to your mind.

Hebrews chapter 2 verse 13. I suspected that scripture will come to somebody's mind. He said, what is man that you are mindful of him? Or what is the son of man that you take of him? You have made him a little lower than the angels.

[31 : 35] Having. You have crowned him with glory and honor. Set him over the of your hands. All right. Verse 5 says that. For he has not put the worlds to come.

Of which. We speak. In subjecting to angels. But. One testified in a certain place saying. Okay. What is man that. So Jesus became man.

Watch this. This is very important. When he became man. His status. Dropped. As man. So he took on the manly restrictions. So as it were. He was.

He came lower than angels. In his manliness. Being a man. Angels are spirit beings. They are flaming fire. I guess you want to say.

But then he inherited a name. Which is higher than the angels. He inherited a name. A son. Jesus is the son of God. Amen. Amen. And guess what.

[32 : 34] He's not the only one. Verse 5 talks about. Jesus is the firstborn. And I'll show you what it means to be the firstborn. And in what way you see the firstborn. Because the angels are not bones.

They are created. So first of all. He started talking about how Jesus. The way God is reaching out to us. Through Jesus. Better than the way the prophets. And then number two. Jesus Christ is higher. It's much better than the angels. In Hebrews. So he started talking about the angels. And he's going to bring it down. From angels. He's going to go to Moses. From Moses.

He's going to go to the high priestly office of Aaron. From Aaron. He's going to go to the sacrifices of. And everyone of them is going to show you. He'll strip it naked. And say see look at Jesus. He says it's better than this one.

Okay which one? Bring this one too. Strip it. And look at Jesus. This is better. This one too. Strip it. Then he'll tell you that. Now put your faith in Jesus. Hallelujah. Somebody shout hallelujah.

[33 : 33] Oh did you receive. Put your hands together for Jesus. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Thank you for listening.

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