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TITLE:

Who is Jesus Christ (Part 3)?

TEXT:

Hebrews 1:8-14

But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom. [9] Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. [10] And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands: [11] They shall perish; but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment; [12] And as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail. [13] But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool? [14] Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

INTRODUCTION

- The superiority of Jesus Christ over the angles is declared in the Scriptures (verses 5-7):
 - Psalm 2:7 I will declare the decree: the Lord hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee.
 - 2 Samuel 7:12-14 And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom. [13] He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever. [14] I will be his father, and he shall be my son. If he commit iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men:
 - Psalm 97:7 Confounded be all they that serve graven images, that boast themselves of idols: worship him, all ye gods.
 - Psalm 104:4 Who maketh his angels spirits; his ministers a flaming fire:

v.8-9

- This is quoted from:
 - Psalm 45:6-7 Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre. [7] Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.
- God the Father (Jehovah God) is speaking about God the Son (Jesus Christ).
- "therefore God, even thy God" the Father calls the Son God; the Father is the Son's God.
- Jesus Christ's throne or kingdom is eternal. From the Millennium to eternity in a New Heaven and a New Earth.
- Jesus Christ uses a righteous sceptre.
 - A sceptre is a staff or wand that was borne in the hands of kings as an emblem of authority and power.
 - He rules in righteousness.
 - He loves righteousness.
 - He hates iniquity (violation of the law).
- Jehovah God anointed Jesus Christ as a King above all other kings.
 - Anciently kings and priests were consecrated to their office by pouring oil on their heads

v.10-12

- This is quoted from:
 - Psalm 102:12,25-27 But thou, O LORD... [25] Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands. [26] They shall perish, but thou shalt endure: yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment; as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed: [27] But thou art the same, and thy years shall have no end.
- The LORD (Jehovah) of the text in Psalm 102 is clearly applied to the Son.
- Jesus Christ is the Creator of earth and heavens.
- Heaven and earth shall perish.
 - Matthew 24:35 Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.
 - 1 John 2:17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.
- In contrast to the world, Christ is immutable and eternal.
 - Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

v.13

- This is quoted from:
 - Psalm 110:1 The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.
- Jesus Christ's enemies will be made his footstool.

v.14

- Angels are all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for the believers.