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The Son's Superiority to the Angels

Hebrews 1:4

'Study to show thyself approved unto God...' – 2 Timothy 2:15

The importance of reading and learning God's word is a vital part of both growing and also experiencing the blessing of belonging to God the Father through His Son, Jesus Christ.

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INTRODUCTION

Today we will continue to consider the Universal Lordship of the Son – Jesus Christ with particular focus upon His superiority to Angels.

HOW THEN ARE WE GOING TO CONSIDER THIS TEXT?

- (a) The fact asserted.
- (b) Why the comparison to Angles?
- (c) Scriptural evidence for the assertion.

I. THE FACT BEING ASSSERTED.

By virtue of who the Son is and what the Son has accomplished in creation, He has inherited a name that marks him as being immeasurably above every creature...including even glorious creatures such as angles!

1 The Son's exalted NC revelation

>> "being made", "having become", "so he became" (Strong's G1096) γίνομαι, gínomai - INSTEAD - of (Strong's G5607) ὤν ṓn.

2_The Son's name

The excellency of the name "Son" carries with it not only the rightful rank of royalty (v.2-3a) but also that of an identity connected to accomplishing the foretold promise of the Messiah – the purging of sins.

- >> "name" (Strong's G3686) ὄνομα ónoma
- 1. name: univ. of proper names
- 2. the cause or reason named: on this account, because he suffers as a Christian, etc.

II. WHY THE COMPARISON to the ANGELS?

- (a) Literary and structural device to end one thought/section and begin another.
- (b) To continue to build upon the theme the Son's superiority in revelation.
- >> "angels" (Strong's G32) ἄγγελος ággelos a messenger, envoy, one who is sent, an angel, a messenger from God.

1. The Qumran Community

2. The influence of Angels in divine revelation

- <u>DEUT 33:2</u> "The Lord came from Sinai, and rose up from Seir unto them; he shined forth from mount Paran, and he came with ten thousands of **saints:** from his right hand went a fiery law for them."
- <u>PSALM 68:17</u> "The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels: the Lord is among them, as in Sinai, in the holy place."
- <u>ACTS 7:53</u> "Who have received the law by the **disposition/ordinance of angels**, and have not kept it."
- <u>GAL.3:19</u> "Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator."
- ➤ Small sampling of "Angelology" the Theology of Angels: (Creation Job 38:7) (the birth of Jesus Matt.1-2) (Christ's resurrection Matt.28:2-7) and the Lord's 2nd coming 2 Thess.1:7).

<u>APLPICATION - WHERE THE RUBBER MEETS THE ROAD:</u>

- 1. We are to be pre-occupied with the Son not created Angels.
- 2. Mormon's hold a doctrine that places Angels and the Son as beings who have both existed from all eternity and only that by "eternal progression" Jesus surpasses his eternal peers ~ the other Angels, this is why they can be justified in calling Jesus the "elder brother" of Lucifer the pre-fallen angel.
- 3. JWs hold a doctrine that the Son is not the appointed Son who has indeed created all things, but rather He is the first creation of Jehovah the Angel Michael and who lowered Himself as a man for the purpose of redemption and at his resurrection ONLY his spirit NOT HIS BODY was raised to glory back to His status of the angel Michael.