

Hebrews 1:4 In the 4,000 years of history leading up to the crucifixion we see "names" used not only as an identifier but often used to identify a trait, rank, authority, or characteristic. Examples: Jacob (heel catcher/to follow behind) to Israel (to wrestle with/contend with God), Abram (father) to Abraham (father of many), Peter was called 'Petros (rock/stone) but his name at birth was Simon... etc. In this case Jesus (fully God, and fully man) became, after the finished work of the cross, a Name that was above every name. In Revelation 19:11-16 we see one name that has not yet been disclosed and three that we recognize (handout). Including, but not limited to, : Lamb of God, The Resurrection, The Life, The Good Shepherd, The Judge, Man of Sorrows, Head of the Church, Master, Rock, High Priest, Living Water, The Door, The Way, The Truth, The Alpha and Omega, The Vine, Messiah, Christ, The Mediator, Light of the World, Savior, Image of the Invisible God, Chief Corner Stone, Author and Finisher of Life, The Almighty, The Great I AM, LORD, Yahwe, Jehova, The Lion of the Tribe of Judah, Prince of Peace, Only Begotten, Bridegroom, Emmanuel, The Son, The Amen, The Redeemer, The Bright and Morning Star, The Judge..... etc.

Hebrews 1:5 There is only One Son.

Hebrews 1:6-14 Scriptures clarifying Jesus the Christ as being King over all.

Hebrews 2:1 "pay the most careful attention" is a stark warning that we are charged to study God's Word so that we are not misled. Something that has been the downfall of all who don't know it. And a stumbling block for those who don't study it. It started in the Garden when Eve misquoted God's Word. (We must not eat of it, nor touch it.)

Hebrews 2:2-4 And to make it perfectly clear that God the Son's Word is the Truth, the whole Truth, and nothing but the Truth we were given testimonies by angels, eye witnesses, by signs and wonders (both in the Old and New Testaments) and by miracles of Life giving proportions by Jesus Himself. And now the Holy Spirit testifies them to our hearts.

## Hebrews 2:5-8

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This is so unbelievably beautiful for so many reasons. For example in the beginning God gave sinless man (and woman) dominion over everything living on the planet. He has not done that with His angels. Albeit Satan has been allowed to be the prince of the power of the air, he still needs permission from God to subdue any of it.

The last part of verse 8 lets us see that because of the fall we now do not have total subduing power over the earth the time will come when all things are restored.

Hebrews 2:9 (Thank you Jesus! :) Jesus was born of a woman (lower than the angels), lived a perfect and sin-free life, having endured all things - that we could ever endure - and became victorious over sin. And not only did He live a perfect life but He also traded His life in so that we don't have to! After God's wrath, on us, was satisfied by Jesus' own blood, Jesus was crowned with all glory and honor.

So now as "King of Kings" and "Lord of Lords" He has imputed/coronated us as well. So that one day we can, and will, rule and reign with Him in the idyllic setting of what it was when God first made it (over six literal days).

Hebrews 2:10-13 God the Son made all things that have ever been made and will make all things that will be ever made (the mostly perfect 1,000 year reign and the absolutely perfect "New Heavens and new Earth" that He will make at a later time). And since He has now redeemed us back (those who believe) He proudly call us sons, daughters, and joint heirs and in verse 11 He has made us Holy.

Hebrews 2:14 This seems simple but it is the hardest thing that God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit have ever endured or shall ever endure:

God the Father had to give up His only Son, then pour out His wrath against us on Him, and most painfully abandon Him.

God the Son voluntarily, and forever, took on flesh and

blood, walked the earth, endured all things, was mocked, ridiculed, hated, tortured, abandoned, humiliated, rejected and worst of all forsaken by His own Father.

God the Holy Spirit gave life to God the Son (Luke 1:35) in the form of baby Jesus, anointed Him for ministry (Matthew 3:16), restrained Himself while Jesus suffered the cruelest form of capital punishment over three hours, and watched Him be put in the grave. But after three days He was allowed to raise Him up again albeit forever carrying the scars of the cross.

Hebrews 2:15 This last part of the verse gives us insight on what Jesus was doing in Hades/Paradise; He was preaching the Good News that the Messiah that the Old Testament saints were waiting for had finally come to redeem them, to make them Holy; to "set the captives free." (See print-outs) 2x

- (And we know it was called Paradise because Jesus told the thief on the Cross that he would be with Him in Paradise).

Hebrews 2:16 This is referring to Jesus' mission. Jesus came to fulfill the Law. He came to the Lost Sheep of the house of Israel. He did not come to "help" the angels.

Hebrews 2:17-18 Again, we can't help but be baffled by how much the Godhead loves us. Alone, being willing to suffer life in the body of a human but also enduring all the trials and testings (and temptings) that any human has ever endured.

He also had to endure it and be victorious over them using only normal emotional and physical limitations that are common to humans. Unlike us, He was not allowed to be "Stephanatized" during His sufferings. Verse 18 makes it clear that He did all under normal human strength so that He could rightly say He endured all things. And this meant also tasting death as a substitute non-believer

which entailed the wrath of, and the rejection by, God! Again, so that we never have to!