

Hebrews Bible Study I: “This Is Jesus” – Hebrews 1:1-14

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Important Information to know:

- Hebrews is a general epistle. That means the letter wasn’t written for or to a church community in a specific location. Instead, it was written for and to Hebrew Christians who were a portion of the church community that could be found in almost every church at the time.
- We don’t really know why the letter was written but many scholars believe it is because many Hebrew Christians were considering going back to practicing Judaism. It is just a likely that the letter was written to reinforce the faith and commitment of the community that was facing persecution, imprisonment and property loss.

Into the Text

- 1) According to the first few verses of our lesson, the author reminds us of the many ways that God has spoken to God’s people through the prophets. Can you give an example of how God spoke through prophets in the past?

- 2) Verses 2-4 are similar to a summary vitae (i.e. short biography) for Jesus that one might use when introducing a speaker who is about to address an audience. Pick at least two of those descriptions that stand out most to you. Why do you think these are so important?

- 3) Verses 5-13 are examples of things God has said concerning Jesus. Why do you think it was so important for the author to share what God has said about Jesus with the original audience of people who were considering abandoning their faith?

Bringing Things Current

Next Week’s Hebrews Bible Study will be “Don’t Drift Away” from Hebrews 2:1-18

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- 1) Have you ever tried to encourage a fellow believer whose faith was being challenged? If so, how did you start to encourage them?

- 2) Imagine that you are at a special banquet for people searching for a deeper relationship with God. You are not the keynote speaker. Jesus is. However, you have been asked to introduce Jesus to the group. Use the space below to jot down what you would say.

Something to Think About

Today’s lesson opens with a thought that still messes with the minds of many people today. It says that Jesus is God’s son. It also says that there is no one in heaven or earth that can compare to Jesus.

How does knowing, trusting and believing that Jesus is the son of God help you hold fast to your faith?

What is it about how Jesus is the son of God that renews your hope and trust in God?
