

A More Excellent Name - Hebrews 1:1-4

¹ God, who ^[a]at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, ² has in these last days spoken to us by *His* Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the ^[b]worlds; ³ who being the brightness of *His* glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had ^[c]by Himself ^[d]purged ^[e]our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴ having become so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.

⁵ For to 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 He shall be to Me a Son”?

⁶ But when He again brings the firstborn into the world, He says:

“Let all the angels of God worship Him.”

⁷ And of the angels He says:

“Who makes His angels spirits
And His ministers a flame of fire.”

⁸ But to the Son *He says*:

“Your throne, O God, *is* forever and ever;
A ^[f]scepter of righteousness *is* the scepter of Your kingdom.
⁹ You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness;
Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You
With the oil of gladness more than Your companions.”

¹⁰ And:

“You, LORD, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth,
And the heavens are the work of Your hands.

¹¹ They will perish, but You remain;
And they will all grow old like a garment;

¹² Like a cloak You will fold them up,
And they will be changed.

But You are the same,
And Your years will not fail.”

¹³ But to which of the angels has He ever said:

“Sit at My right hand,
Till I make Your enemies Your footstool”?

¹⁴ Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation?

1. When you first became a Christian what was it about Christianity that you wanted or knew you needed?
2. What is or has been one of the greatest challenge for you in understanding the Bible?
3. What is your understanding of the God of the Old Testament?
4. Do you read both the Old and New Testament Scriptures?
5. Has your understanding about the Old Testament developed since you have come to know Jesus? How so?
6. What does it mean to compare spiritual with spiritual?
See 1 Corinthians 2:12-13
7. What does endurance and faithfulness mean to you?