

Series: Hebrews: Anchor for the Soul

Sermon: Superior to the Angels

Scripture: Hebrews 1:3b-14

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Hebrews 1:3b-14 (ESV)

³ ...When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴ having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

⁵ For to which of the angels did God^[c] ever say, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be his Father, and he will be my Son"? ⁶ And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him." ⁷ Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds and his servants flames of fire."

⁸ But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, and the 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 beyond your companions." ¹⁰ And, "In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands; ¹¹ they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like clothing; ¹² like a cloak you will roll them up, and like clothing they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will never end."

¹³ And to which of the angels has he ever said, "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet"?

¹⁴ Are not all angels spirits in the divine service, sent to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?

1. The Myth of the Cherubic, Celestial Sidekick
2. The Seven Pearls of Supremacy (v.4-14)
 - Pearl 1: The Unique Name.
 - Pearl 2: The Command to Worship.
 - Pearl 3: The Nature of Wind and Fire.
 - Pearl 4: The Eternal Throne.
 - Pearl 5: The Sustainer of the Atoms.
 - Pearl 6: The Seated King.
 - Pearl 7: The Ministering Spirits.

3. So What?

Takeaway Truth: The Sovereign who sustains the universe is the Savior who commands the heavens to serve you.