

Questions on Hebrews chapter 1

1. What is meant by the phrase "at sundry times and in divers manners"? Verse 1.
2. Who were the "fathers" to whom God spoke in time past by the prophets? Verse 1.
3. What is meant by "these last days" and when did they begin? Verse 2.
4. What is affirmed about the Son with reference to "the worlds"? Verse 2.
5. What does the Son do "by the word of his power" or by his powerful word? Verse 3.
6. When did Christ, the Son of God, "purge our sins"? (Since Hebrews was written primarily for Hebrew Christians, what did this call to mind for them?) Verse 3.

7. In what way is Christ's superiority to angels shown in this verse? Verse 4.

8. What was the "more excellent name" given to Christ because of His sacrifice for our sins, his death, and resurrection? Verse 4.

9. Weren't the angels referred to as "sons of God"? How is the application of the name, "Son of God," different regarding Christ? Verse 5. (See Job 33:7)

10. When was the first statement made to Christ? Where was it prophesied in the Old Testament? Of what passage in the Old Testament is the last part of the verse a quotation? Verse 5. (See Acts 13:33-34)

11. If the word "first begotten" refers to Christ resurrection from the dead, how is he the first? Didn't Lazarus and others rise from the dead first? Verse 6.

12. What are all the angels of God required to do? Verse 6.

13. Although the angels are inferior to Christ, in what way are they superior to fleshly beings? Verse 7.

14. What quality of the angels makes it impossible for any enemy of God to stand? Verse 7.

15. What passage in the Old Testament is the source of this quotation? Verse 8.

16. What is a "scepter" and of what does the Son's scepter consist? Verse 8.

17. Upon what basis was the Son anointed, that is, crowned above his fellows (all the other kings of the earth)? Verse 9.

18. What else was ascribed to the Son that shows his superiority to the angels? Verse 10.

19. How can the Son be said to have "laid the foundations" when the passage quoted seems to apply to God himself? Verse 10. (See Psalm 102:25-27)

20. What shall happen to the earth and the heavens? Verse 11.

21. How does this verse contribute to the idea that Christ is superior to angels? Verse 12.

22. What passage in the Old Testament is quoted in this verse? Do you know of any passage in which such a promise is given to angels? Verse 13.

23. In the Old Testament passage quoted, who is "the Lord" and who is "my Lord"? Verse 13.

24. What is the role of angels and to whom and for what purpose are they sent, according to this verse? Verse 14.