

Starting the Year with the Glory of Christ (Hebrews 1:2-3)

Introduction

- What danger do all Christians face?
- What will drive us forward in our Christian lives in 2014?
- Who wrote Hebrews?
- Who first received Hebrews?
- Why was Hebrews written?
- What is the main theme of Hebrews?

i The Son and the World

- What is the first thing we are told about the greatness and glory of Christ as he relates to the world?
- What does it mean that Christ is God's heir?
- Give some examples of what Christ possesses.
- What is the second thing we are told about the greatness and glory of Christ as he relates to the world?
- Which other verse talks about how God the Father and God the Son cooperated in creating everything?
- Was God the Holy Spirit involved in creation?
- If the world is amazing, what does it show about the creator?
- What is the third thing we are told about the greatness and glory of Christ as he relates to the world?
- What does it mean that our Lord sustains the world?
- How does he sustain the world?

ii The Son and God

- What is the first thing we are told about the greatness and glory of Christ as he relates to God?
- What does the Greek word translated “radiance” depict?
- So what does it teach about Christ?
- What is the second thing we are told about the greatness and glory of Christ as he relates to God?
- How exactly does Jesus relate to God, then?
- If you want to know God, what must you do?
- Which other verse in Hebrews 1 says that Jesus is God?

iii The Son and Sinners

- What is the first thing we are told about the greatness and glory of Christ as he relates to sinners?
- Why is this astonishing?
- In what ways did our Lord stoop low so as to cleanse us? Give several examples.
- What is the second thing we are told about the greatness and glory of Christ as he relates to sinners?
- Where is Jesus now?
- What does it show about his work for sinners that he is there?

Conclusion

- What should you do if you are a Christian?
- What should you do if you are not a Christian?