Welcome To Open Bible Hour

Thank you for joining us on this Lord's Day!

Our desire is that you may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ as we pursue an in-depth study of the book of Hebrews.

If you have a prayer request, for which you would like us to pray, please fill out a prayer sheet at the back table and give to Lyle.

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"JESUS CHRIST IS INFINITELY SUPERIOR TO THE ANGELS"

Part II

Heb. 1:7-14

September 23, 2012

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I. Christ is superior in name. (4,5)

II. Christ is superior in worship. (6)

- **III.** Christ is superior in vocation. (7)
- 7 And of the angels He says, "WHO MAKES HIS ANGELS WINDS, AND HIS MINISTERS A FLAME OF FIRE." Ps. 104:4

Judg 6:11

11 Then the angel of the Lord came and sat under the oak that was in Ophrah,

Isa 6:2

Seraphim stood above Him,

Zech 5:9

9 Then I lifted up my eyes and looked, and there two women were coming out with the wind in their wings;

Gen 18:2

2 When he lifted up his eyes and looked, behold, three men were standing opposite him;

Ps 104:4

4 He makes His messengers the winds, His ministers flaming fire.

Ps 78:49

- 9 He sent upon them His burning anger,
- Fury and indignation and trouble,
- A band of destroying angels.

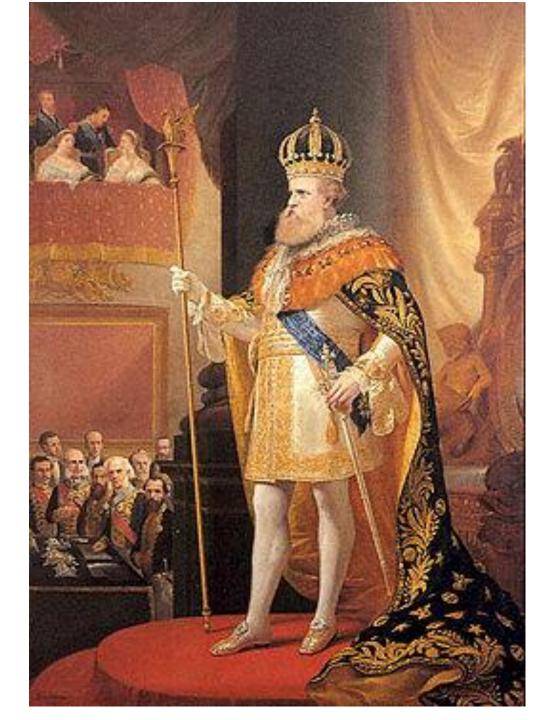
Gen 19:1,12-16

- 1 Now the two angels came to Sodom in the evening as Lot was sitting in the gate of Sodom.
- 12 Then the two men said to Lot, "Whom else have you here? A sonin-law, and your sons, and your daughters, and whomever you have in the city, bring them out of the place;
- 13 for we are about to destroy this place, because their outcry has become so great before the Lord that the Lord has sent us to destroy it."
- 14 Lot went out and spoke to his sons-in-law, who were to marry his daughters, and said, "Up, get out of this place, for the Lord will destroy the city." But he appeared to his sons-in-law to be jesting.
- 15 When morning dawned, the angels urged Lot, saying, "Up, take your wife and your two daughters who are here, or you will be swept away in the punishment of the city."
- 16 But he hesitated. So the men seized his hand and the hand of his wife and the hands of his two daughters, for the compassion of the Lord was upon him; and they brought him out, and put him outside the city.

- IV. Christ is superior in position. (8,9)
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Scepter:

A rod or staff held by the king which represented his rulership and authority. It was an extension of who the king was and was appropriately named. Strong Scepter Scepter of Justice Scepter of Sovereignty Scepter of Uprightness Golden Scepter





Est 5:2

2 When the king saw Esther the queen standing in the court, she obtained favor in his sight; and the king extended to Esther the golden scepter which was in his hand. So Esther came near and touched the top of the scepter.

Matt 27:29

29 And after twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on His head, and a reed in His right hand; and they knelt down before Him and mocked Him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" IV. Christ is superior in position. (8,9)

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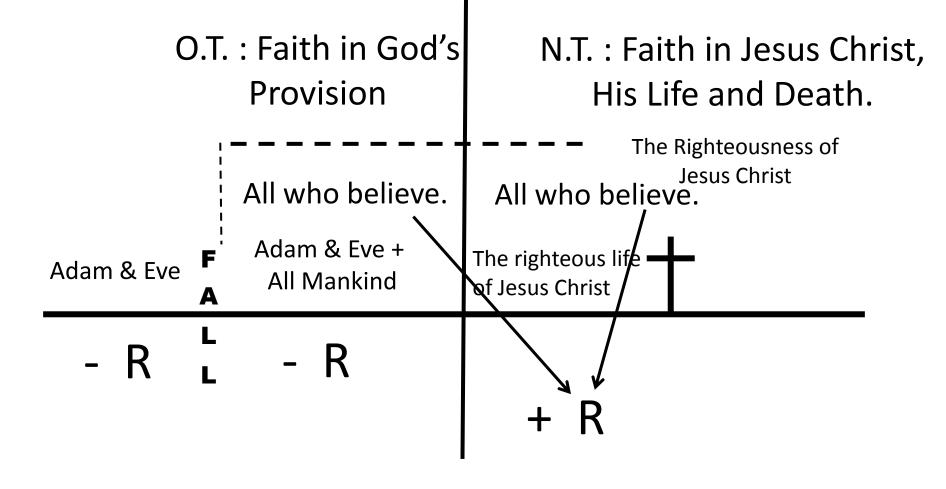
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Righteousness – to consistently do the right thing. To obey.



Isa 64:6

6 For all of us have become like one who is unclean, And all our righteous deeds are like a filthy garment; IV. Christ is superior in position. (8,9)

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- Ps. 102:25-27

2 Peter 3:10-12

- 10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up.
- 11 Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,
- 12 looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning, and the elements will melt with intense heat!

Rev 6:14

14 The sky was split apart like a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.

- V. Christ is superior in His finished work. (13)
- 13 But to which of the angels has He ever said,
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- Ps. 110:1

Summary (14)

- 14 Are they not all ministering spirits, sent out to render service for the sake of those who will inherit salvation?
 - Angels are:
 - 1. Ministering spirits
 - 2. Sent out.
 - 3. To serve.
 - 4. For the sake of believers.

Summary on the Activity of Angels

- 1. Angels rejoice when a sinner repents. (Luke 15:10)
- 2. Angels have a special interest in all that relates to the redemption of man. (1 Peter 1:12)
- 3. Angels are found praising God over the fields of Bethlehem, where the shepherds were, to whom it was announced that a Saviour was born (Luke 2:13)
- 4. An angel announced to Mary that she would be the mother of the Messiah (Luke 1:26)
- 5. An angel declared to the shepherds that the Messiah was born (Luke 2:10).
- **6.** The angels came and ministered to Christ in His temptation (Matt 4:11).
- **7.** An angel strengthened Christ in the garden of Gethsemane (Luke 22:43)
- 8. Angels were present in the tomb where the Lord Jesus had been laid, to announce His resurrection to His disciples (John 20:12);
- 9. Angels reappeared to his disciples on Mount Olivet to assure them that he would return and receive his people to him self, Acts 1:10.

10. Angels appear for the defense and protection of believers –Ps 34:7

7 The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear Him, And rescues them.

Gen 19:15

15 When morning dawned, the angels urged Lot, saying, "Up, take your wife and your two daughters who are here, or you will be swept away in the punishment of the city."

Acts 5:19

19 But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the gates of the prison,

Acts 12:7-8

- 7 And behold, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared and a light shone in the cell; and he struck Peter's side and woke him up, saying, "Get up quickly." And his chains fell off his hands.
- 8 And the angel said to him, "Gird yourself and put on your sandals." And he did so. And he said to him, "Wrap your cloak around you and follow me."

11. Angels support us in times of trial. Dan 6:21-22

- 21 Then Daniel spoke to the king, "O king, live forever!
- 22 "My God sent His angel and shut the lions' mouths and they have not harmed me,

Matt 28:5

5 The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid;

Luke 24:22-23

- 22 "But also some women among us amazed us. When they were at the tomb early in the morning,
- 23 and did not find His body, they came, saying that they had also seen a vision of angels who said that He was alive.

12. Angels comfort us when we may be discouraged. Acts 1:10-11

- 10 behold, two men in white clothing stood beside them.
- 11 They also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in just the same way as you have watched Him go into heaven."