

JESUS A MAN, YET IS SUPERIOR TO ANGELS  
Hebrews 2:5-9

INTRODUCTION:

- A. The Hebrews believed that God's revelation had been brought to man by angels.
- 1) They were His servants
  - 2) They brought His message
- B. Jesus is superior to angels and has in these last days spoken to us.
- 1) Jesus came to do His Father's will
  - 2) He brought the, "fullness of Himself", to us in the person of His Son, Jesus.

I. Angels And The World To Come verse 5

- A. *"For unto the angels hath he not put in subjection..."*
- 1) *"subjection"* = υποτασσω = "to subject to one's authority"
  - 2) "For he did not make the angels rulers over the world that is to come"
- B. *"the world to come, whereof we speak"*
- 1) The world under the Messiah
  - 2) "In the regeneration"
  - 3) God has ordained that Jesus, Son of God, son of man, son of David will rule the world to come, the 1,000 years.

II. God Created Man To Rule The World verse 6 - 8a

- A. *"But one in a certain place testified,"* verse 6
- 1) *"testified"* = διαμαρτυρομαι = "to solemnly testify", "to solemnly declare"
  - 2) "But a certain writer has given his solemn and earnest testimony"



B. *"what is man, that thou art mindful of him?"* verse 6

- 1) *"mindful"* = μιννησκω = "to think much of a thing", "to call to one's mind"
- 2) *"What is man that you should contemplate him"*

C. *"...on the son of man, that thou visitest him?"* verse 6

- 1) *"visitest"* = επισκεπτομαι = "to go to see", "to go to look after"
- 2) *"On the son of man, that thou art concerned about him"*
- 3) These statements are quoted from the Septuagint and not the Hebrew Bible.
- 4) *Psalm 8:4-6*

D. *"Thou madest him a little lower than the angels"* verse 7

- 1) Man, because of sin, was temporarily put in a place that is lower than an angel.
- 2) *"little"* = βραχυ = "a little"
- 3) *"lower"* = ελαττω = "to make less"
- 4) Because of Adam's sin man forfeited his rightful place in the service of God. He now must function in an inferior place to the angels.

E. Man's intended place at his creation

- 1) *"thou crownest him with glory and honor"*
- 2) *"and didst set him over the work of thy hands"*
- 3) *"Thou hast put all things in subjection under him"* vs 8
- 4) *"under"* = υποκατω = "down under"
- 5) *"subjection"* = "to subordinate"
- 6) *Genesis 1:26, 28*
- 7) *"For in that he put all in subjection under him, he left nothing that is not put under him"*

F. What happened?

- 1) *"But now we see not yet all things put under him"*
- 2) *"But now not yet do we see to him the all things subjected"*
- 3) Jesus must redeem all things and restore man to his intended place.

III. Why Was Christ, A Man, Not Lower Than Angels?

A. *"But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels..."*

- 1) *"little"* = βραχυ = "temporal", "a little while"
- 2) *"lower"* = ελαττω = "to make less as in dignity"
- 3) Jesus as a man was also made less in His dignity than an angel. It was for a purpose.

B. *"for the suffering of death"*

- 1) *"suffering"* = παθος = "suffering"
- 2) To suffer death

C. *"crowned with glory and honour;"*

- 1) He became a man
- 2) He temporarily was made lower than angels. He is now crowned with glory and honour. What Adam lost in regard to dominion Jesus regained and now all that God has promised can be fulfilled.
- 3) The statements are true of man

D. *"that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man"*

- 1) *"taste"* = γευομαι = "to taste", It means to experience anything to the full extent"
- 2) *"He might experience death for every human being."* Gspd.