



*"And now I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified." (Acts 20:32)*

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## Christ, Greater Than Angels

### Introduction

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### Background on Hebrews

**Purpose:** Purpose of the letter? Word of Exhortation

**Author:** Origen – “who wrote the Epistle, God only knows the truth.”

**Audience:** Mid-to-late first century Jewish believers who had received the gospel from a secondary source.

**Primary TEXT:** [Hebrews 1:4-13](#)

- Like Old Testament prophets, \_\_\_\_\_ have their place and purpose, but they are fully subordinate and inferior to Christ.

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### Primary Claim:

- Hebrews 1:4
  - Christ as much superior to angels as his name is more excellent than theirs
    - Which name has he received?

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**3 Sets of OT References to Back the Claim:**

- 1. Hebrews 1:5
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- 2. Hebrews 1:6-7

- Angels are a wind/flame
    - Temporary/transient
    - Tools used by God
      - Both point to their inferiority and subjection to Christ
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- 3. Hebrews 1:8-12

- Cult of ME
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**Capstone OT Reference**

- Hebrews 1:13
    - Any promise we can claim any part of in this passage is only through Christ.
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**Application**

- The OT Prophets? ... Christ is Greater
- Angels? ... Christ makes them seem as a breath of wind or a flickering flame.
- The Supremacy of Christ is our only hope.