

“God’s Ministering Angels.2”

Portrait of Our Perfect High Priest

Hebrews 1:4-14

INTRODUCTION

- the danger of misdirected attention to angels

“With angels around, people feel they don’t have to bother an Almighty God in order to get help.”
– Robert Ellwood

- “better”?

1. Jesus’ more excellent name (1:4-6)

- Jesus’ inherited name(s)

Phil. 2:9-11

- “Son”

Ps. 2:7; 2 Sam. 7:14
Job 1:6; Rom. 8:14; Gal. 3:26

- “firstborn”

- the result of Jesus’ name: He is worshiped

Ps. 97:7

+ “gods”

+ “Him”

+ angels worship Jesus as Yahweh

Lk. 2:13-14; Mt. 25:31; Rev. 5:11-12

2. Jesus’ superior attributes (1:7-12)

- angels like “wind” and “fire”

Ps. 104:4

- angels are not eternal

Ps. 45:6-7

- Jesus is immutable and eternal

Ps. 102:25-27

2 Pet. 3:10

3. Jesus’ superior authority (1:13-14)

- Jesus’ role to rule

Ps. 110:1

Mt. 22:41-46

Josh. 10:24-25

Rev. 19:15-16

- angels’ role to serve

CONCLUSION

1 Tim. 4:1; Col. 2:18