



*In many measures and multiple modes God spoke in former times to our ancestors **in the prophets**, but has in this final age spoken to us **in a Son**; whom he ordained the heir of the universe; through whom he **framed the ages**. He is God's glory shining forth; the exact expression of God's being; the one who sustains all creation through his almighty word. **When he in himself had made purification of sins** he was enthroned at the right of the divine Majesty on high, being exalted over angels, inheriting the name that is far above theirs.*

Hebrews 1:8

But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your kingdom. . . . Or possibly, "**God is your throne forever and ever**; ...

The Theological Basis for Christ's Superiority (1:1–10:18)

- a. Christ is Superior to the Prophets (1:1-4)
 - i. God's Revelation to the Prophets (1:1)
 - ii. God's Revelation in "Son" (1:2-4)
- b. Christ is Superior to the Angels (1:5–2:18)
 - i. Demonstrated from the Old Testament (1:5-14)
 - ii. First Warning: Don't Drift (2:1-4)
 - iii. Demonstrated by His Humanity (2:5-18)
 - 1. Positive: Exaltation above the Angels (2:5-9)
 - 2. Negative: Suffering Necessary for Superiority (2:10-18)
 - 3. To Identify with Humanity (2:10-13)
 - a. To Destroy the Devil and Deliver Saints (2:14-16)
 - b. To Become a Merciful and Faithful High Priest (2:17-18)
- c. Christ is Superior to Moses (3:1–4:13)
 - i. Both were Faithful (3:1-2)
 - ii. Builder Vs. the Owner (3:3-4)
 - iii. Servant Vs. Son (3:5-6a)

Second Temple Israel and the One God:

- 1. Creator
- 2. Worship
- 3. King of the Universe – Prayer – Duet 5:6-7