

Discussion Questions for Hebrews 1 (Part 1) :1-3

- Pastor Paul brought out that the book of Hebrews has two primary GOALS:
 1. to encourage Christians to endure difficulty and persecution, and
 2. to warn believers not to abandon their faith in Christ.

Why are those things important for believers to focus on?

- Hebrews deals a lot with comparisons between the Old Covenant and the New. Why is it important for believers to understand the differences between the two covenants?
- Re-read **verses 1 and 2**. We see that Jesus is the final word between God and mankind. Why do you think the author felt the need to make that point?
- How do **verses 1-2** align with **Luke 9:35**?
- What does **1 Peter 1:10–11** tell us about what God revealed to the Old Testament prophets?
- Concerning Jesus, (**verse 2**) we're told that God the Father appointed Him "...**the heir of all things**." What is an heir and what does that mean for Jesus?
- Also in **verse 2** we're told that Jesus is the one through whom the world was created. Since Genesis 1:1 says that "God created the heavens and the earth" what does that tell you about Jesus? (See also John 1:3)
- **Verse 3** makes four statements about Jesus. List them below:

- Read and compare Philippians 2:9–11 to what the author of Hebrews is saying in **verse 3**. What is the consistent theme?
- In light of what we're seeing here about Jesus, why do you think people still deny His deity (divine nature)?
- Why is it important to understand the nature of Jesus Christ and that He is God in human flesh?