

# Hebrews Part One

## Lesson #5, Chapter 1:10-14

Please read all of Chapter 1 to prepare for this lesson.

1. The writer of Hebrews continues to reveal support for the superiority of Christ. From verses 1-9 list all the ways that the writer has revealed that Christ is superior over all.
2. The Psalm 102:25 quote in vs. 10 is about Christ. What do you learn about Christ in vs. 10?
3. Psalm 102:25 attributes creation to God, while Heb. 1:10 attributes it to Christ. What does that tell you about Christ? Compare Gen. 1:1; Job 38:4; Is. 40:28 with Jn. 1:1-3; Col. 1:15-17; Heb. 1:10. What did you notice as you compared those verses?
4. What do the following verses tell you about *the kind of creator* our Lord Jesus Christ is? See Gen. 1:31; Neh. 9:6; Ps. 139:13-16; Prov. 3:19-20; 8:22-31; Is. 40:12-14, 26, 28.
5. How do those truths about your Creator encourage you to put your trust in Him?
6. What do you learn about creation from vss. 10-12?

7. Not only will the earth age and change as we saw in vss. 10-12, but we can also read about other changes that are in store for the created world. What are they? See Is. 24:19-20; 2 Pet. 3:10-12; Rev. 6:12-14.
  
8. Is the Bible saying that the same God who put so much care into creation will also destroy it? Why would He do that? See Is. 2:12, 17-22; Phil. 2:9-11; 2 Pet. 3:1-13; Rev. 19:11-16; 21:1-8.
  
9. How is Christ unique from creation according to vss. 11-12?
  
10. While Ps. 102:26-27 speaks of God's unchanging character, the writer of Hebrews quotes it in 1:11-12 and then attributes it to Christ. What does that tell you about Christ?
  
11. This aspect of Christ's character is what theologians call *immutability*. Define the word *immutability*. How would a more thorough understanding of Christ's immutability enhance your Christian walk?
  
12. Summarize what you learn about our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, from the following verses: Num. 23:19; Ps. 33:11; 102:26-27 (quoted in Heb. 1:11-12); Is. 46:8-11; Mal. 3:6; Heb. 6:17-18; 13:8; James 1:17.
  
13. From what you've learned so far, list 5 ways that understanding Christ's unchanging (immutable) nature can be an encouragement to you.

14. What are some ways specific ways you can apply your understanding of the immutability of Christ to your life?

Oh trust in the immortal God!  
Like Noah's dove, we have no footing for our souls,  
till we get into the ark of God's unchangeableness.

~Thomas Watson<sup>1</sup>

"Expect to meet with changes in everything but God." ~Thomas Watson<sup>2</sup>

"God is perpetually the same: subject to no change in His being, attributes, or determinations. Therefore God is compared to a rock (Deut. 32:4, etc.), which remains immovable, when the entire ocean surrounding it is continually in a fluctuating state; even so, though all creatures are subject to change, God is immutable." ~A. W. Pink<sup>3</sup>

15. Finally, in vs. 13 the writer of Hebrews quotes from Ps. 110:1 to point to Christ's superiority over the angels. What do you learn about Christ in vs. 13? Acts 2:33-36 helps sum up the significance of quoting Ps. 110:1. Read Acts 2:33-36 and then explain how Ps. 110:1 reveals Christ's preeminence over all.
16. Unlike the Son of God, what role has been given to the angels according to vs. 14?
17. In what ways do angels minister to believers? See Ps. 103:20-22; Acts 7:53; Matt. 24:31 (referring to the Second Coming of Christ); Lk. 15:10.

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<sup>1</sup>Thomas Watson, *A Body of Divinity*, (Scotland: Banner of Truth Trust, first published in 1692, reprinted 1965), pg. 69.

<sup>2</sup>Ibid, pg. 68.

<sup>3</sup>A. W. Pink, *The Attributes of God*, (Baker Books, 1977), pg. 37.

18. Who are those who will inherit salvation from vs. 14? When will that inheritance be fully received? See 1 Pet. 1:3-5.
  
19. God has decreed that one of His most mighty and noble creations aid you in your salvation journey to heaven. Amazing! What kind of a response does that elicit from you toward God?
  
20. What one truth encouraged you the most from this lesson?

### Great is Thy Faithfulness

By Thomas O. Chisholm

"Great is Thy faithfulness," O God my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail  
not  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

*"Great is Thy faithfulness!"*  
*"Great is Thy faithfulness!"*  
*Morning by morning, new mercies I see;*  
*All I have needed, Thy hand hath provided—*  
*"Great is Thy faithfulness," Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

*"Great is Thy faithfulness!"*  
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*Morning by morning, new mercies I see;*  
*All I have needed, Thy hand hath provided—*  
*"Great is Thy faithfulness," Lord, unto me!*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

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